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Bombay's First Step To Meet Housing Shortage

ASSEMBLY DECIDES TO SET UP BOARD FOR PROVINCE

Labour Minister Outlines Government Scheme To Allay Opposition Fears

From Our Special Representative

POONA, October 18: After a good deal of discussion the Bombay Housing Board Bill of 1948 was unanimously passed by the Bombay Legislative Assembly.

Mr. A.A. Khan who supported the Bill called the Bill "the thin end of wedge of nationalisation of Housing".

Mr. S. L. Silam asked Government to set up large-scale factories to produce building materials and even if the Bill affected private building activity, he would welcome it.

A Bill banning ex-communication was read the first time and circulated to elicit opinion in deference to the wishes of many people including the Archbishop of Bombay.

THIN END OF WEDGE

When the Bombay Legislative Assembly continued the discussion of Bombay Housing Board Bill of 1948. Mr. A. A. Khan said that the Housing Board which the Bill sought to bring into existence resembled a public corporation based on the experiments and experience of other countries. He felt that the Housing Board was the thin end of the wedge of the nationalisation of housing.

Since the Board was likely to develop into an extremely important public body, Mr. Khan wanted the Housing Board to be decentralised body with as much of non-official representation as possible. He also objected to the restrictions placed on the Board and the circumscribing of its powers by Government supervision. Government must lay down the policy but leave the entire execution to the Board, he said.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERS

Mr J. H Shamsuddin, supporting the Bill said that specific qualifications for the members of the Board should have been laid down in the Bill as the Board was the successor to the present Ministerial Committee and was going to handle huge sums of money running into crores.

Mr Shamsuddin also wanted that employers should have been forced to share the costs of the housing programme which was largely going to benefit industrial labour. They could never expect employers to come forward voluntarily.

Mr. S. L. Silam said that the building industry could not only provide work for skilled and unskilled labour, but would also provide employment for workers in a lot of ancillary industries. Side by side with this, he said, it would be a good thing if Government put up industries on a big scale themselves for mass production of building material also to put through their scheme. He felt that the Housing Board might put private building enterprizes out of action, but he even welcomed the possibility.

Mr S. L. Karandikar while welcoming the measure said that he objected on principle to the setting up of any statutory Boards whose finances were beyond the legislature's scrutiny.

NANDA REPLIES CRITICS

The Labour Minister Mr Gulzarilal Nanda thanked the members for extending to the Bill unqualified and unanimous support and said that he was gratified that his own keenness had enthusiasm for creating a statutory body for tackling the housing problem was shared by all. He referred to the remark made by the leader of the opposition that the Bill looked like the thin end of the wedge that would ultimately lead to nationalisation of housing. Mr. Khan however had not stated whether he personally favoured nationalisation or not. The Minister said he did not look upon nationalisation as something which must be accepted or rejected on theoretical grounds. He would personally like an individual to look after himself or a group of people to look after itself without the intervention of the State. While nationalisation and centralisation of control may be viewed by some with disfavour the exploitation of accommunity by individuals was much worse. Perhaps the building industry was the most unsuitable for being nationalised. As long as it was possible for an individual to build a house for himself, the State should certainly welcome it. When large numbers of of people had nothing like decent housing accomodation, it was incumbent of the State to step in. The Minister repeated that private enterprise in the sphere of housing would be welcome.

TESTS OF BOARD

Referring to tests which the new Housing Board would have to satisfy, Mr. Nanda referred to the criticism made on the one hand that it had been subjected to excessive Governmental control and on the other that it had been given wide power. In

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333 DETENUES RELEASED

High Court Order Sequel To 'Habeas Corpus' Petitions

(From Our Special Representative)

POONA, Oct. 18.—Three hundred and thirty-three detenus, out of 595 who had submitted to the High Court, 'habeas corpus' petitions, were ordered to be released by the High Court. The petitions were filed by the detenus themselves or by others on their behalf. Two persons so released had been rearrested by Government. In these cases, the High Court had not sanctioned any costs, but the amount in each case was calculated by the Government pleader who forwarded the necessary bills to Government.

Minister's Reply

This information was supplied by Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Health and Public Works, deputising for the Home Minister, in reply to certain questions put to him in the Bombay Legislative Council.

The Health Minister also revealed that a Headmaster from Ratnagiri had applied to Government for pension to prosecute the Home Minister to the Bombay Government for alleged defamatory statements made by the Home Minister at a public meeting. The permission had however not been sanctioned.

In Assembly

In the Bombay Legislative Assembly, Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise answered certain short notice questions with regard to an alleged breach of prohibition Rules by the Western India Automobile Association, Club House, Bombay.

Mr. Patil said that it was understood that the club premises were used by some members who brought their own drinks. The rules regarding the days of closure were applicable only to clubs licensed to sell foreign liquor under the Bombay Abkari Act. Since the Club was not so licensed, no ban could be placed on the right of a member to consume his own liquor within the limit of possession.

On a dry day or at any time he might happen to be on the Club premises.

In reply to a supplementary, the Minister said that Government would, in the near future, bring forward legislation to remove "this invidious distinction" between licensed and unlicensed clubs.

A member: Are Government aware that in many clubs there are lockers with big stocks of liquor?

Answer: I am not aware of it.

The Minister said that he was not aware of any circular to members issued by the President of the W.I.A., asking them not to drink on dry days, but if there was such a circular it was commendable.

Marshall Leaves For Rome

ATHENS, Oct. 18 (Reuter).—The United States Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall, left here today by air for Rome, after week-end talks with Greek and American aid officials.

He refused to answer reporters' questions before leaving.

The Greek general staff today announced the capture of Vitsi, mountain peak, dominating Castoria area in north-west Greece.

India's Envoy To Sweden

NEW DELHI, Oct. 18. (UPI): The Government of India have decided to appoint Mr. R. K. Nehru, at present Counsellar (with the personal rank of Minister) in the Indian Embassy, Washington, as India's Minister to Sweden, says a Press communique.

PANT PRESENTS CREDENTIALS

MR. A. B. PANT, COMMISSIONER FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA IN BRITISH EAST AFRICA, LEAVES THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE AFTER THE PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS TO H.E... THE GOVERNOR OF KENYA, SIR E. PHILIP MITCHELL (RIGHT).

"FEARLESS ADVOCATE OF INDIA'S FREEDOM"

Bombay Corporation's Tribute To Horniman

LATE SIR S. SAKLATWALLA'S SERVICES TO CITY EXTOLLED

BOMBAY, Monday.—The Bombay Municipal Corporation this evening mourned the death of Mr. Benjamin Guy Horniman as the passing away of a fearless advocate of Indian freedom, of a matchless journalist and of a fine Englishman who made India his home and won the love of her peoples.

The House passed another resolution recording the services rendered to the City by the late Sir Sorab Saklatwalla.

HORNIMAN'S INTEREST IN CIVIC PROBLEMS

Dr. M. U. Mascarenhas, the Mayor, recalled the active interest which Mr. Horniman evinced in civic problems and the "battles he waged against all forms of uncivic activities." He was a member of the Corporation from 1926 to 1930 and dominated many of the House Committees by his brilliance. "He was a great journalist and a friend of India. Undoubtedly a man of the poor, he upheld their cause every time, fighting for them with a determination which no one could help admiring" the Mayor said.

Praising Mr. Horniman's "fearless advocacy of India's freedom cause," Mr. S. K Patil, Leader of the Congress Municipal Party, said that his devotion to India remained unshaken and undiminished in all vicissitudes and under the most trying circumstances. He was exfled from the country but a grateful people, whom he served vigorously, made his return possible by a successful agitation.

"Once Mr. Horniman became convinced of the righteousness of a cause he took it up and nothing would daunt him thereafter in his efforts to battle for it. There was another quality in him, equally striking and unique. He never subordinated the great interests of journalism to personal interests," Mr. Patil said.

TRIBUTE TO SIR S. SAKLATWALLA

Mr. Patil also paid tribute to the part played by the late Sir Sorao Saklatwalla in enriching the commercial life of Bombay and alluded to his membership of the old Legislative Council where he supported all progressive measures. As head of the Tata Trust, Mr. Patil said, Sir Sorab came to the aid of thousands of needy families and as the Director of the Tata's Post-Graduate School he could claim the credit for the hundreds of fine graduates turned out by the institution yearly.

Mr. M. Harris, Mr. Naushir C. Bharucha, Mr. Homi Talyarkhan, Mr. G. G. Morarji and Miss Perin Nariman joined in the tributes to the two departed leaders.

All the members observed a minute's silence in honour of their memory.

Air-Raid Alarm In Cairo

CAIRO, Oct. 18 (Reuter).—Heavy anti-aircraft fire was heard over Cairo during an hour-long air raid warning tonight.

CHEFOO FALLS TO COMMUNISTS

NANKING, Oct 18 (Reuter): A Communist radio News Bulletin heard here this morning claimed the capture of Chefoo, important Chinese seaport in northe-east Shantung Province.

A Government spokesman said he could neither confirm nor deny the report.

CHIANG'S FORCES TAKE MANCHURIAN TOWN

Pro-Government press despatches reported that the Government today scored an important strategic success in Manchuria by capturing the railway junction town of Sinlitum within 24 hours of launching a two-pronged attack on it. Silitum is nine miles west of Mukden.

Japan's New Cabinet

TOKYO, Oct. 18 (Reuter).—Japan's new Cabinet under newly-elected Premier Shigeru Yoshida was officially announced tonight.

In addition to the Premiership, Shigeru Yoshida takes over the Foreign Ministry and the post of Attorney General.

French Troops Seize Strike-Bound Mines

PARIS, Oct. 18 (UPA).—Troops and security guards in full battle kit tonight seized strike-bound coal mines in Central France.

SHELL BURSTS NEAR AMERICAN PLANE

Pilot's Report On Taking Off From Gatow Airport

LONDON, Oct 18 (Reuter)

In Berlin today the pilot of an American 'Skymaster' plane taking off from British-controlled Gatow airport reported shell bursts near his plane at a height of 2,000 feet.

The incident was reported to the American Chief Controller at the Berlin Air Safety Centre, who lodged a protest with the Soviet controller.

"The Soviet sector of Berlin was sealed this morning when German police, acting on Russian orders, began a big anti-black market drive.

Soviet sector German Police Headquarters stated all goods being taken from the Soviet sector to the Western sectors would be seized if not properly documented.

RUSSIAN POLICY BACK FIRES

Mr. John Foster Dulles, Foreign Policy Adviser to American Presidential candidate Thomas Dewey, said in Paris today his main impression after a visit to Germany was that Russian policy in Berlin had "backfired".

Intelligence reports from East Germany, he added, indicated that morale in the Soviet zone had sunk to a "new low".

MASS FLIGHT FROM SOVIET ZONE

"The British-licensed Berlin newspaper 'Telegraf' today declared that ministers of State, high civil servants, members of the Communist-dominated Socialist Unity Party, and Trade Union functionaries were taking part in a mass flight from the Soviet zone "where fear and terror reign".

Soviet Democrats and Free (Liberal) Democrats made important gains at the expense of Communist in yesterday's local elections in North Rhine-Westphalin, first results indicated.

TRUMAN EXPLAINS VINSON EPISODE

Declares U. S.'s. Firm Policy Is Not War-Like Policy

MIAMI (Florida), October 18. (U.P.A.): President Harry Truman said today that his aborttve proposal to send Chief Justice Fred Vinson on a mission to Moscow was made in the hope of dispelling the "present poisonous atmosphere" surrounding the negotiations with the Soviet Union. The President also called on the Soviet to give evidence of "long-range peaceful purposes" so that the world can shake off the fear of war.

Denying that the Vinson proposal had hampered the Western Allies in their talks with Russia, Truman told the annual convention of the American Legion that he wanted solely to find the basis for a real peace with the Soviet. He added, "Whenever an appropriate opportunity arises, I shall act to further the interests of peace within the framework of our relations with our allies and the work of the United Nations".

He said that the United States has "no chip on its shoulder", but will continue its present policy of firmness towards Russia until peaceful assurances are given.

NO PRO-WAR POLICY

In his speech today, Truman virtually repeated the previous explanation of why he contemplated sending Vinson to the Kremlin. A week ago, he said he hoped to dispel the "misunderstandings" that Soviet leaders might have over American intentions. Truman described as a "wicked falsehood" the reports that the United States deliberately is following a course that will lead to ultimate war. "Our firmness should not be taken for a war-like spirit. The world has learned that it is weakness and appeasement which invite aggression. A firm position on reasonable grounds offers the best hope of peace and we have been open to reason at every point", he declared.

DELHI'S NEW DEAL TO REFUGEES

Call To Provinces & States To Set Up Townships

THREE CATEGORIES OF PRIORITY AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE-HOLD OF LAND

NEW DELHI, October 18 (A.P.I.): A general directive for expediting progress on housing scheme for refugees has been issued by the Government of India to all Provinces, States and States' Unions where refugees are to be rehabilitated.

NEW TOWNSHIPS

Every Province, State or States' Union, to which a substantial number of refugees has been allotted has been requested to take steps to establish at least one township and where larger number justify two townships.

Time Limit Fixed

A target of two years has been laid down within which Governments should make every possible effort to complete their housing schemes. The Government of India have expressed the desire that every refugee family should be given either a plot or a house, the unit of a family being reckoned as six members.

The various Governments have been requested to formulate their township schemes in accordance with this policy and forward these to the Government of India by October 31, 1948, indicating the assistance required from the Government of India in implementing the same.

PRIORITY

As to the allocation of plots in the township, the Government of India have suggested that first priority should be given to refugee families who are prepared to construct houses at their own cost. Government would endeavour to procure building materials. Second priority should be given to families who require only partial financial assistance, and third priority should be given to families who are not in a position to construct houses for themselves.

The actual work of construction of houses in the proposed townships, it has been pointed out, should be undertaken by the Provincial and State Governments. They should only make available to refugees developed plots of land on long lease, on terms which may be similar to those adopted in Delhi. The number of plots to be developed for refugees' housing is to be determined after taking into account the number of evacuee houses available in each Province and State.

CONDITIONS OF LEASE

In Delhi, plots are to be leased out to refugees for a total period of 99 years. For the first five years, only ground rent will be recovered. This will be assessed on the cost of rent plus the cost of development at the Government rate of interest.

For the next 15 years, in addition to ground rent 15 equal instalments will be recovered to cover the actual cost of acquisition and development. From the 21st year ground rent will be calculated at the market value then prevailing.

All leases will be non-transferable for the first twenty years and after that these will be transferable with the first option to Government.

Malkanj's New Job

NEW DELHI, Oct. 18 (UPI): Prof. N. R. Malkani, former Deputy High-Commissioner for India in Pakistan, has been appointed as Regional Director of Rehabilitation for Delhi, Ajmer-Merwara, Rajputana States and Matsya Union.

It is understood that for East Punjab and East Punjab States, Mr. Sudhir Ghosh has been appointed as Regional Director.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' TERMS TO BE EXTENDED?

(From Our Special Representative)

POONA, Oct. 18.—The Bombay Legislative Council will discuss on Wednesday a Government resolution which seeks to extend the term of the elected Council members till such time as fresh elections to the Provincial Legislature are held under the new constitution.

There are twenty-five elected members in the Council and their terms expire on March 31, 1949.

Congress Presidentship

MADRAS MINISTERS BACK PATTABHI

MADRAS, October 18. (A.P.I.): The Andhra Ministers of the Madras Cabinet—Mr. Kala Venkatarao, Mr. H. Seetharama Reddi, Mr. B. Gopala Reddi, Mr. K. Chandramouli and Mr. V. Kurmayya—issued today an appeal to the Congress delegates throughout the sountry to support the candidature of Dr. Pattabhi Sitharamayya to the presidentship of the Indian National Congress.

The appeal says: "Dr. Pattabhi Sitharamayya is above any narrow parochialism but none the less his election would be deemed to be a compliment to us in the south. He is the fit person, to keep Gandhian ideals aloft and to steer the country from its present economic trouble. We appeal to all Congress delegates throughout the country to support his candidature".

Nehru And Patel Have No Hand In It

NEW DELHI, October 17. (U.P.I.): Pandit Nehru and Sardar Patel are strictly neutral in the Presidental elections of the Indian National Congress, states Mr. Shankerrao Deo, General Secretary of the All-India Congress Committee in a letter to Shri Radharaman, President, Delhi Provincial Congress Committee, in reply to an enquiry from the latter.

CENTRAL COLLEGE FOR KARNATAKA MUSIC

India Government Sets Up Provisional Council

NEW DELHI, Oct. 18. (U.P.I.): In connection wth the scheme for the establishment of a Central College of Karnataka Music at Madras, the Government of India have set up a Provincial Council consisting of the following members:

1. **The Hon'ble Mr. T. S. Avinashlingam Chettiar, (Chairman);**
2. **The Hon'ble Mr. Justice P. V. Rajmannar, Chief Justice of the Madras High Court;**
3. **The Vice-Chancellor, Madras University;**
4. **Mr. K. V Krishnaswamy Iyer, President of the Music Academy, Madras;**
5. **Mr. T. K. Chidambaranatha Mudaliar;**
6. **Mr. P. Sambamurthi, Head of the Department of Indian Music, Madras University;**
7. **Mr. S. Vengateswaran, I.C.S.;**
8. **Mr. K. Varadachari, Principal, Kalakshetra, Adyar, Madras;**
9. **Mr. K. Srinivasan, Editor, "The Hindu".**

The Council has been entrusted with the task of bringing into existence the Central College of Karnataka Music and will function until a permanent governing body has been formed.

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Widow of Goswami Shri Gopallalji Kalyanraiji Maharaj.

Dated 19/10/48. (9693)

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Bombay Mutual Building, Sir P. Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, on TUESDAY, the 9th November, 1948, at 5 P.M. (S.T.), to consider, and if deemed desirable, pass the Special Resolution as mentioned in the Notice dated 1st October 1948, posted to all the Shareholders.

By Order of the Board
For the Chhoi Silk Mill Co., Ltd.
CHHOI KOOKA DESAI & CO.,
Managing Agents

Bombay, 1st October, 1948. (1886)

THE TROPICAL INSURANCE CO. LTD.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN that a MEETING of the Policyholders of the Company, holding Policies of Life Assurance issued not less than six months before the date of election, shall be held in the premises of the Company situated at Connaught Circus, New Delhi on 21st January, 1949 at 4 P.M. to elect two Policyholders' Directors as per Section 48 of the Insurance Act, 1938.

DIRECTORS' QUALIFICATIONS:— A Policyholder holding Life Insurance Policy or Policies of Rs. 3000 - or more including bonuses otherwise than as an Assignee or a Life Annuity of Rs. 250/- or more per annum which has/have been in force for atleast three years before the date of election shall be eligible for appointment as a Director.

APPLICATIONS for Directorship from eligible persons drawn up in English or Hindi language should reach the Head Office of the Company under registered cover on or before 21st November 1948, giving name, address number of and amount of sum assured of their Policy/Policies.

VOTING can be in person or by proxy. In the former case a certificate for admission to the meeting must be obtained for which application must be made to the Company on or before 21st November, 1948. The form of proxy can be had on application to the Head Office and should be registered with the Company on or before 21st December, 1948. Only one proxy can be appointed by a Policyholder.

By Order of the Board.
RAM SHARAN
Secretary

Dated 16th October, 1948. (1899)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited for the temporary posts of Storemen in the Scale of Rs. 55- 3- 85- 4-105 in the Stores Organisation of the Royal Indian Navy. The Candidates will also be entitled to Dearness Allowance, Compensatory Allowance and House Rent Allowance admissible according to Rules.

2. Candidates should possess a matriculation certificate of a recognised University or its equivalent.

3. Applications giving full particulars regarding age, educational qualifications and previous experience should reach the Naval Store Officer, H.M.I. Dockyard, Bombay on or before the 15th November, 1948. (1855)

IN THE MATTER OF THE INDIAN COMPANIES ACT 1913

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE PAPER PRODUCTS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the abovenamed Company duly convened, and held at the Registered Office of the Company on the 24th day of September, 1948, at 8-00 o'clock in the noon, the following resolution was duly passed as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

"That it has proved to the satisfaction of this meeting that the Company cannot by reason of its liabilities continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily; and that Mr. Shantaram Moreshwar Sanjit of Bombay be and is hereby appointed liquidator for the purpose of such winding up". (9694)

PUBLIC NOTICES

G. I. P. RAILWAY

ALL RAILWAY EMPLOYEES, whosoever has got any knowledge of any of the N.W.R. employees having been in Pakistan during the disturbances of 1947, should intimate DIRECT to the Transfer Officer (India), Railway Colony, Ambala Cantonment, particulars of the persons killed, in the form given below:—

"To

The Transfer Officer (India),
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I am aware of the death of the following employee of the old N.W.R., whose particulars are given as far as known to me:—

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Father's Name .....
Post held on N.W.R. .....
Station where employed .....
Subordinate under whom employed .....
Time and date of death .....
Place of death .....
Cause of death .....
Was he on duty at the time of death .....
Names, relationship and particulars of dependents .....
Address of his dependents or relatives, if known .....
Source of Information .....

Signature.....
Designation.....

Dated ..... (1896)

CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, Fertilizer Factory Division No. I, C.P.W.D., P.O.—Sindri, District—Manbhum invites sealed tenders from contactors for the following works:—

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TENDERS will be received upto 12 noon on the 30th October, 1948 and opened on the same day at 12-30 p.m. Contract documents, plans, specifications etc., may be seen on any working day and forms purchased on payment of Rs 5,- not refundable.

Earnest money in currency notes or bank draft on the Imperial Bank of India, Dhanbad to accompany tenders. (1876)

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for the following and will be received in the General Manager's Office, East Indian Railway, 17, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta upto noon on 5-11-48.

Tender number 8 LBW 48 890 to 893 for supply of Poles Tubular Steel (alternatively Reinforced concrete Spun type Poles) for Electric transmission Line in connection with the Loco. Building Works Project at Mihijam (Total—About 2460 Poles).

Tender forms with full particulars may be obtained from the Office of the Controller of Stores, East Indian Railway, 17, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta on payment of Rs. 5/- per copy to the Treasurer, East Indian Railway, Calcutta and on production of his receipt when applying for the same. Firms outside Calcutta may however remit the amount to the Controler of Stores direct by money order.

No refund is permissible.

Sealed tenders delivered by hand should be presented for registration in the General Manager's Office and then put into the Tender Box outside the Dy. General Manager (Works)'s room by the Tenderer or his representatives. Tenderers' representative may present themselves at the time of opening of the tender in the room of Deputy General Manager (Works).

GENERAL MANAGER. 1881

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for the following and will be received in the Controller of Stores' Office, East Indian Railway, 17, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta upto noon on 8th November 1948.

Tender No. S'UC'GB9'262D/138'49 for the supply of Flag Banner Red 2193 Nos.

Tender forms with full particulars may be obtained from the Office of the Controller of Stores, East Indian Railway, 17, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta, on payment of Re. 1/- per copy to the Treasurer East Indian Railway, Calcutta and on production of his receipt when applying for the same. Firms outside Calcutta may however remit the amount to the Controller of Stores direct by Money Order.

No refund is permissible.

Sealed tenders delivered by hand should be presented for registration in the Controller of Stores' Office and then put into the Tender Box outside the Controller of Store's room by the tenderer or his representative. Tenderers' representative may present themselves at the time of opening of the Tender in the room of Dy Controller of Stores.

CONTROLLER OF STORES. 1880

No. CDI/F2/330/48.

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF INDUSTRIES AND SUPPLIES NEW DELHI.

PRESS NOTIFICATION.

A REVISED PROCEDURE has been introduced for the release of Steel, Cement and other controlled materials required for putting up new factories or carrying out major extensions to existing factories in India. A copy of the revised procedure may be obtained by application to Deputy Director General (Development), Engineering Division, Block No. 4, Shajahan Road, New Delhi.

(Sd.) J. C. GHOSH
Director-General,
(Industries and Supplies). (1892)

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for the following and will be received in the Controller of Stores' Office, East Indian Railway, 17, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta upto noon on the 16th Nov. 1948.

Tender number S|NSB|46|2494 for supply of Plank Pine, 500 Nos.

Tender forms with full particulars may be obtained from the Office of the Controller of Stores, East Indian Railway, 17, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta on payment of Rs. 2/- per copy to the Treasurer, East Indian Railway, Calcutta and on production of his receipt when applying for the same. Firms outside Calcutta may however remit the amount to the Controller of Stores direct by money order.

No refund is permissible.

Sealed tenders delivered by hand should be presented for registration in the Controller of Stores' Office and then put into the Tender Box outside the Controller of Stores' room by the Tenderer or his representatives. Tenderers and representative may present themselves at the time of opening of the tender in the room of Deputy Controller of Stores.

CONTROLLER OF STORES. 1882

NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the purchase of hard and soft waste from the India United Mills Ltd. Nos. 2 and 3 and will be accepted upto 4 p.m. (S.T.) Friday the 22nd Oct. 1948, in their registered office. Tender copies can be obtained from Cotton Department, Indu House, Dougall Rd. Ballard Estate, Bombay. (1874)

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

S. M. MIRAI & CO., Estate Managers, Rent Contractors, House Brokers and Commission Agents have shifted their Office from Falkland Road to 144, Mistri Building, New Foras Road Junction Bombay 7.

Telephone No. 45113. (1891)

BOMBAY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

PROBATIONARY ASSISTANT CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS.

APPLICATIONS are invited BEFORE 20-11-1948 for selection of three candidates for training in Forestry at the Indian Forest College, Coimbatore. The training will last for 2 years and the expenses of training will be paid by Government. Government servants and women are not eligible. PAY.— Rs. 200-650 PLUS cost of living allowance as admissible with prospects of promotion to B.F.S. Class I. AGE.— Not less than 19 and not more than 23 (30 in the case of ex-servicemen) on 1-4-1949. Upper age-limit may be relaxed in exceptional cases. QUALIFICATIONS.— FOR EX-SERVICEMEN: Must have passed Inter examination with Mathematics and any natural science. FOR OTHERS: First or second class B.A. honours degree with Physics and Chemistry or Botany and Zoology or first or second class B.Sc. degree of the Bombay University or an equivalent degree of a recognised university and fitness for outdoor work. Application form supplied on receipt of a large addressed envelope with 3½ annas stamps and CROSSED Indian Postal Order, for Re. 1/- payable to the "Secretary, Bombay Public Service Commission," Bombay, who will also supply full details on request. (1889)

PUBLIC NOTICES

PRESS NOTICE.

RELEASE OF TIN PLATES

CERTAIN QUANTITY of imported tin plates (Black and Galvanised) has been placed at the disposal of this office. Applications are therefore invited so as to reach this office by 22ND OCTOBER 1948 at the latest from the Container Manufacturers in this Province who desire to obtain the quota of these tin plates. The manufacturers are requested to state in their applications details of allotments of tin plates made in their favour by the Directorate General of Industries and Supplies, New Delhi in the past, if any, to enable this office to make necessary releases.

NOTE: — Out of the above, 30 Gauge tin plates are unsuitable for manufacture as food containers and the manufacturers who will receive these tin plates will have to give an undertaking to this office that they will not use them in manufacturing food containers.

J. J. PATEL,
Provincial Iron and Steel Rationing Officer, Bombay.
Military Hutments,
Esplanade Maidan, Fort, Bombay. (1897)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD (DIV. II)
Office of the Chief Director of Purchase.
Mansingh Road, New Delhi.
TENDER NO. A/764

THE CHIEF DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE, Ministry of Food (Div II), New Delhi, invites tenders for the supply of the following quantities of oilcake during December, 1948.

	Tons Approx
1. Groundnut Oilcake (Decorticated)	1200
2. Cotton Seed oilcake (undecorticated)	120
3. Toria Oilcake	60

Applications for tender forms will be received upto the 11th November, 1948. The price of each tender form containing full particulars is Rs. 10/- per set which is not refundable under any circumstances. Payment must be made in cash or by money order only (cheques will not be accepted) to the Chief Director of Purchase, Ministry of Food (Div. II), New Delhi, quoting tender No. A/764 and giving the remitters full address on the coupon. Tender forms are not transferable.

Tenders will be received upto 1 p.m. on Saturday the 20th November, 1948.

New Delhi,
Dated the 13th October, 1948. (1887)

G.I.P. RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, Bhore and Thull Ghats, G.I.P. Railway, Lonavla, invites tender on 25th October 1948 upto 16.30 hrs. for the construction of Bridges, Culverts and side drains etc. on Diversion No. 8 on Bhore Ghats between miles 78.761 and 79.055 South East Line.

2. The form of tender schedule and condition of contract can be had from his office on payment of Rs. 2/- each. Drawing can also be had at Rs. 3/- per set. These sums will not be refunded.

Lonavla, 21-9-1948. 1587

G.I.P. RLY — TENDERS

THE DY. GENERAL MANAGER (Grainshops), G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V. T., will receive tenders on the prescribed form upto 3 p.m. on 25-10-48 for the supply of Potatoes at Wadi Bunder and Kalyan, Agmark Ghee, Onions and Green Vegetables at the Railway Godown at Wadi Bandar Shed No. 3. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office or from the Asstt. Controller, Grainshops, G.I.P. Railway, at Bombay. (1862)

G.I.P. RLY. — TENDERS

THE DY. GENERAL MANAGER (Grainshops), G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V. T., will receive tenders in the prescribed form upto 3 p.m. on 25-10-48 for the disposal of Empties and Deteriorated Commodities lying at the Railway Godown at Kalyan. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office or from the Asst. Controller, Grainshops, G. I. P. Railway, at Kalyan. (1863)

G.I.P. RLY. TENDERS

THE DY.-GENERAL MANAGER (Grainshops), G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V.T., will receive tenders on the prescribed form upto 3 p.m. on 28-10-48 for the supply of Pure Ghee at the Railway Godowns at Poona, Sholapur, Ahmednagar and Shahabad and for the supply of Agmark ghee at the Railway godowns at Manmad and Igatpuri. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office or from the Assistant Controller, Grainshops, G.I.P. Railway, at Poona/Bhusaval. (1903)

G. I. P. RAILWAY

THE LEVEL CROSSING GATE No. 41 at miles 33/24 between Kalyan and Titwala will be CLOSED to Road Traffic on WEDNESDAY, the 20th inst. between 7/- and 13/- hours and on Saturday the 23rd inst. between 7/30 and 13/30 hours for relaying. (1888)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

WITH REFERENCE to the Notification of the Collector of Bombay about Auction Sale of the property belonging to HAJI EBRAHIM HAJI JAN MAHOMED MOOSA, situate at Perry Cross Road, Bandra and particularly described in the Schedule hereunder written by the Mamlatdar South Salsette on the 23rd October, 1948, notice is hereby given on behalf of our clients, Messrs. Bengal Central Bank Ltd., that the said property has been equitably mortgaged to our aforesaid clients, Messrs. Bengal Central Bank Ltd. by deposit of title-deeds to secure an overdraft to the extent of Rs. 77,393-12-0 and in respect whereof a suit has been filed in the High Court of Bombay against the said Haji Ebrahim Haji Jan Mahomed Moosa being suit No. 2330 of 1948 and any person buying the said property will buy the same subject to the said mortgage in favour of the Bengal Central Bank, Ltd. The Notice of Lis Pendens in respect of the aforesaid suit has been duly registered with the Sub-Registrar of Assurances at Bombay.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of land or ground, situate at Perry Cross Road, Bandra in the South Salsette Taluka, Bombay Suburban District, in the Registration Sub-district of Bandra, containing by admeasurement one thousand five hundred and seventy-two square yards or thereabouts bearing Plot No. 4 in Suburban Scheme No. VI Danda together with the buildings and tenements standing thereon and assessed by the Municipality of Bandra under House No. 4 Ward C. II Danda and bounded as follows:—that is to say on or towards the East by Plot No. 5 of the said Scheme No. VI on or towards the West by the property of Mr. Khambatta bearing Plot No. 3A of the said Scheme No. VI on or towards the North by the property of Mr. DeMonte and on or towards the South by a road.

Bombay dated this 18th day of October, 1948.

MULLA & MULLA,
Attorneys for the
Bengal Central
Bank, Led. 1898

SHORT CAUSE

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Suit No. 1419 of 1948.

Messrs. SHROFF & CO.,.. Plaintiffs
vs.
RAMDAS MANILAL and others .....Defendants.
George VI, etc.,

To,

RAMDAS MANILAL,

The 1st Defendant abovenamed.

WHEREAS the abovenamed Plaintiffs have filed a Plaint in this Court against you the abovenamed Defendants whereof the following is a concise statement, viz., That it may be declared that a sum of Rs. 68,980-12-6 is due and owing by the 1st Defendant to the Plaintiffs under the Indenture of Mortgage, dated 11th September, 1946, upto 31st March, 1948 and further interest thereon at the rate of 9 per cent per annum; that the 1st Defendant be ordered and decreed to pay to the Plaintiffs within such time as this Honourable Court may fix the amount that may be found due by him to them and further interest thereon at the rate of 9 per cent per annum till the date fixed for redemption and thereafter at the rate of four per cent per annum; that in default of the 1st Defendant paying the said sum of Rs. 68,980-12-6 and interest thereon within the time that may be fixed by this Honourable Court the mortgaged properties may be sold by and under the directions of this Honourable Court and the net sale proceeds be applied toward satisfaction of the amount due by the 1st Defendant to the Plaintiffs; that in the event of the net sale proceedings being insufficient to satisfy the Plaintiffs' claim in full, liberty be reserved to the plaintiffs to apply for a personal decree against the 1st Defendant; for receiver, injunction costs and other reliefs.

You are hereby summoned to appear in this Court on the 9th day of November, 1948, at eleven o'clock standard time in the forenoon in person or by an Advocate (O.S.) duly instructed by an Attorney of this Court and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit and as the day fixed for your appearance is appointed for the final disposal of the suit, you must produce all your witnesses on that day and in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned, the suit will be heard in your absence, and you will bring with you (or send by your attorney) any document in your possession containing evidence relating to the merits of the plaintiffs case or upon which you intend to rely in support of your case.

Witness MAHOMEDALLI CURRIM CHAGLA, Esquire, Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid this 15th day of June 1948.

(Sd.) A. R. NARAYAN IYER
For Prothonotary & Senior Master.
(Sd.)
A. R. NARAYAN IYER
Sealer

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

The 15th day of June, 1948.

Messrs. BENJAMIN AND CO.,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys. (1904)

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE BOMBAY ELECTRIC SUPPLY AND TRAMWAYS CO. LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

LOST TEMPORARY RECEIPT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Temporary Receipt No. 40643 in respect of 20 Ordinary shares Nos. 498096 to 498110 and 550426| 550430 of The Bombay Electric Supply & Tramways Co. Ltd. (In Voluntary Liquidation) standing in the name of Bai Aminabibi d|o Abdul Gaffar has been lost, mislaid or destroyed.

Any claim in respect of these shares should be notified to the Company at their registered office, Electric House, Bombay No. 1, within 15 days from the date hereof otherwise a duplicate Temporary Receipt will be issued irrespective of any claim in respect thereof.

(Sd). BAI AMINABIBI D|O ABDUL GAFFAR.

Dated 19-10-48. 9686

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

THE B. E. S. & T. COMMITTEE

SEALED TENDER for the supply of 2.1|2 Amp. House Service Electricity Meters will be received by the Chief Storekeeper up to noon on Wednesday, the 27th October, 1948.

Tender forms can be obtained from the Chief Storekeeper, Electric House, Fort, Bombay 1, on personal application but will not be forwarded by post. (1900)

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Suit No. 2424 of 1948.

THE KHANDESH SPINNING AND WEAVING MILLS CO. LTD., a Joint Stock Company, having its Registered Office, at Cambata Building, 42, Queen's Road, outside the Fort of Bombay.....Plaintiffs.

Vs.

1. DIGAMBAR RAMCHANDRA and 2. AWSOO CHINDOOR, both of Jalgaon Hindu Inhabitants, residing at Jalgaon, being the employees of the plaintiffs' Company and members of the Jalgaon Girni Kamgar Union on behalf of themselves and other employees of the plaintiffs' Company..... ...Defendants.

To,

The Employees of The Khandesh Spinning & Weaving Mills, Co. Ltd. JALGAON.

Notice under O. I. R. 8 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

PURSUANT to the order made by the Hon'ble. Mr. Justice Bhagwati on the 4th day of October 1948 in the above suit NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN under Order 1 Rule 8 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that the plaintiffs have been granted leave to file this suit against the defendants for themselves and on behalf of other employees of the plaintiffs' company who are the members of the Jalgaon Girni Kamgar Union for the following reliefs:—

(a) That it may be declared that the Award of the Arbitrator dated the 24th March 1948 referred to in the plaint is void, inoperative, illegal and ultra-vires and is not binding and enforceable and should be set aside.

(b) That the Defendants may be restrained by an Order and injunction of this Hon'ble Court from receiving the amount directed to be paid by the said Award.

(c) Interim injunction in terms of prayer "B" of the Plaint pending the hearings and final disposal of this suit.

(d) That the Defendants may be ordered to pay the plaintiffs costs of this suit or that the same may be otherwise provided for,

and

(e) For such further and other reliefs as the nature of the case may require

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the hearing of this suit has been fixed for the 24th day of January 1949.

Dated this 13th day of October, 1948.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) G. V. DALVI,
For Prothonotary and Senior Master.
(Sd.) A. R. NARAYAN IYER,
Sealer.

This 13th day of October, 1948.

Messrs. AMBUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys 1890

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CITY & SUBURBS

To-day

Hindu: Shravan Vad 1, 2004
Muslim: Zilthej 15, 1367
Parsi: Ardibehesht 17, 1317
Sunrise 6-34 a.m., Sunset 18-14 p.m.
Highside 00-3., 12-30 Lowside 06-27, 18-32.

IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE: 3-40 p.m. (S.T.)
BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION Meeting at 3-40 p.m. (I.S.T.)

Domestic Occurrence

"KHANOLKER Prabhakar Laxman, Managing Clerk, Messrs. Gagarat & Co., Solicitors, died suddenly on 17th October, 1948, at Bassein. Deeply regretted by members of the Staff and partners of the firm."

Today's Engagements

PROGRESSIVE GROUP: Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta will speak on: "Should India be a Dominion or a Republic" "today (Tuesday) at Greens at 6-30 p.m.

ROTARY CLUB: Meeting today (Tuesday) at Green's Hotel (first floor) at 1-45 p.m. when Major-General Sir S. S. Sukhey will speak on "THE HAFFKINE INSTITUTE"

GATHA SOCIETY. Meeting today (Tuesday) at 6 p.m. at K. R. Cama Oriental Institute Library Hall, Apollo Street, Dasturji Framroze Bode will expound Gatha Ushtavaiti Yasna Ha 43.

CONDOLENCE MEETING. Under auspices of Thana Town Congress Committee, meeting of citizens of Thana at Vegetable Market today (Tuesday) at 9 p.m. to mourn death of Mr. B. G. Horniman Sjt. Jamnadas Dwarkadas and Sjt. I.A. Ezakiel will speak.

SCHOOLS COMMITTEE: Special adjourned meeting of Municipal Schools Committee, 2-40 p.m.

BOMBAY UNION OF JOURNALISTS. Meeting to mourn death of late Mr. B. G. Horniman, 5-30 p.m. at premises of Unions' Club, Prospect Chambers' Annexe.

ALL INDIA MEDICAL LICENTIATES ASSOCIATION: Luncheon meeting, "Ritz" hotel, Churchgate Street, 1-30 p.m. Talk on "Licentiates and Indian Medical Act".

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE: Thirty-sixth annual general meeting, at Leagues' head office, Servants' of India Society's Hall, 6 p.m.

Pandit Omkarnath Jubilee Fund

The total collections of the above fund after the announcement by Dr. Jayakar on Sunday at the Convocation Hall have increased and now stands over Rs 36 000 -.

Railway Officer Retires

Mr. H. Safdar, Traction Engineer, Distribution, stationed at Victoria Terminus retires on October 20 after a long record of service. He was a popular officer and carries with him the goodwishes of his colleagues.

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Your 12 months life reading will be foretold absolutely FREE. Also remedy of your worries with a GOOD LUCK RING for obtaining your object will be sent concessionally. Simply name any flower or letter writing time to:—Prof. COMAR, 74, G B Road, Delhi.

DISCONTINUE POWDER MILK

Corporation Sends Resolution To Medical Committe

BOMBAY, Monday.

The Bombay Corporation today sent to its Medical and Relief Committee a Congress Party resolution asking the Government to discontinue the "powder milk" scheme and enable the city restaurants and hotels to serve tea made of fresh milk.

PROVISION OF DUST BINS

The House referred to the Law and Revenue Committee Mr. Nathalal D. Parikh's resolution calling for strict enforcement of the Municipal bye-law requiring house owners to provide dust bins in their premises for collectings "kutchra" and to arrange for emptying them daily in the interests of sanitation and health.

Mr. S. K. Patil suggested that scattering of refuse should be made a "social offence" and pointed out that "mobile magistrates" could go about fining the offenders as was tried by the traffic department in Delhi.

MUSLIM SOCIAL WORKERS CONDOLE HORNIMAN'S DEATH

A feeling reference was made about the Late Mr. B. G. Horniman at the social 'Id' gathering of the Muslim Social Workers' group, by Mr. Ibrahim Mistry, last Saturday evening. Two minutes silence was observed by all standing.

Among those present were Sjt. Bhanushanker Yagnik, president of the C Ward Taluka Congress Committee, Mr. Cassamally Dawoodbhai, president of the Muslim Ambulance Society and Sjt. Madhukar Ramderia well-nown Gujarati author

CONFERENCE OF BOMBAY JOURNALISTS

The Executive Committee of the Bombay Union of Journalists has decided to call a conference of working journalists in Bombay in December 1948.

The Conference will discuss questions relating to the economic condition of journalists, the Memorandum of Demands prepared by the Executive Committee, ways and means for implementing the same, consolidation of the Union, possibility of closer association with press workers' organisations, proposal for a Privincial Federation of Working Journalists and then an All-India Federation Government's policy towards the press as a whole, a code of conduct for journalist and allied matters.

All members of the Union will ipso facto become delegates to the Conference on the payment of a delegate fee of Re. 1 each. Other journalist organisations in the city will be free to send one delegate to every five members on their rolls, the delegate fee being Rs. 2 for each in this case.

A preliminary meeting of journalists interested in making preparations for the Conference will be held at the B.U.J. Office on Tuesday (19th inst.) at 3 p.m. It is hoped that every office will send its representatives to this meeting.

Further particulars can be had from the Secretary, B.U.J.

GANDHI MEMORIAL FUND

Four-Day Extension For Collections

Principals of various schools have requested us to extend the days of collection for the Gandhi National Memorial Fund. In view of this request we have decided to extend the days of collection for four days more, viz. till Wednesday the 20th Oct. 1948. We hope this extension will facilitate the students for making their contribution. We also take this opportunity of thanking the principals of various high schools for having co-operated with us in the work of collection.

CONGRESS TO CONTEST CIVIC BY-ELECTION

Seat Rendered Vacant Due To Death Of Nariman

The General Secretaries of the B.P.C.C. announce:

The Bombay Provincial Congress Committee has resolved to contest the seat in the Bombay Municipal Corporation in Ward No. 14 (Walkeshwar) rendered vacant due to the death of Shri K. F. Nariman. Applications in prescribed form from intending candidates are hereby invited so as to reach the office of the B.P.C.C. on or before 7 p.m. on Monday, the 15th Nov. 48.

I. N. T. U. C. EXECUTIVE MEETING PUT OFF

BOMBAY, Oct. 18 (API): The meetings of the Working Commitee and General Council of the Indian National Trade Union Congress scheduled to be held on from Oct 22 to 25 at Ahmedabad, have been postponed due to the election of the Congress President on Oct. 24.

Announcing this, the Central Office of the I.N.T.U.C. in Bombay said today that a convention of labour proposed to be held during the same period at Ahmedabad had also been postponed.

Working Class Cost Of Living

During August 1948, the working class cost of living index number for Ahmedabad (with the average prices for the year ended July 1927 equal to 100) was 259, being eight points higher than in the preceding month. The index number for food articles advanced by six points to 258.

Broach Rural Development Board

On the recommendation of the Broach District Rural Development Board, the Government of Bombay has nominated the following representatives of the States as members of the Board.

Mr. H. M. Gandhi (Rajpipla), Mr. Desaibhai Bavabhai (Avidha), Mr. H. J. Pandya (Bhalod), Mr. S. M. Maheta —Garudeshwar—(Rajpipla), Mr. P. N. Joshi (Luna T. Valia), Mr. Maganbhai Mithabhai (Dediapada) and the President of the District Local Board, Rajpipla.

The Forest Officer of Rajpipla has also been appointed as a member of the Board.

Mr. Dinkarrao N. Desai

Mr. Dinkarrao N. Desai, Minister for Law and Civil Supplies, will leave Bombay for Poona tomorrow (Tuesday) morning by road.

Radio

BOMBAY, TUESDAY, Oct. 19.
244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. Ahmed Dilawar (Ghazal) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Gajanan Nandram (Tabla) 8-45 Laxman Prasad Chaube 12-0 p.m. Akashwani Ne Chottare 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Laker 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch Hour Music 4-20 Durga Karnik (Ghazal) 4-45 Ahmed Dilawar 5-0 Garjanan Nandram (Tabla) 5-15 "Jantar Mantar" 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Durga Karnik 6-30 Laxman Prasad Chaube 7-0 Topic of the Day 7-10 Local Annoncement and Weather Report 7-15 Jaltarang Par Bhoop By S. V. Patwardhan 7-30 Mase Teekakar Talk in Marathi 7-45 Naya Tarana 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Ahmed Dilawar 8-45 "Na Aleia Pahuna" A sketch in Marathi by Prof. Gangadhar Gadgil, Produced by Anandrao Dhulekar 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News Relay 9-40 Anything Goes 9-45 Current Events 10-0 Eric Nissen (Flute) Joseph De Lima at Piano Flute recital 10-15 "So This is Bombay" 10-25 East and West Music by H. H. Maharaja of Porbunder 10-40 "Make Mine Music".

VARIATIONS.
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
7-40 a.m. Gurjar Rasmandal 5-45 p.m. S. A. Tripathi 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners.

61.48 m. (4,880 kc/s)
7-45 p.m. Commercial News 8-0 S. A. Tripathi 8-15 Durga Karnik 9-0 Vimal Patki 9-30 Gajanan Nandram (Tabla) 10-0 Vimal Patki 10-20 Jaltarang Par Kafi By S. V. Patwardhan 10-30 Laxman Prasad Chaube.

W. INDIES v. COMBINED UNIVERSITIES

A. I. R. To Broadcast Running Commentaries

All India Radio, Bombay, will broadcast running commentaries on the Cricket Match between West Indies and Combined Universities on October 19, 20 and 21. Nobby Clarke, former AIR News Reader and Jack Warner will be the commendators.

The schedule will be as follows:—
10-30 a.m. to 12 noon 244 and 31.41 meters. 3-00 p.m. to 4-0 p.m. and 31.41 meters. 4-15 p.m. to 5-30 p.m. 41.44 meters only.

It is also proposed to have a running commentary on the test match to be held in December 1948 when A.F.S. Talyarkhan will be the commentator.

YEVLA MERCHANT FINED RS. 3,000

Attempt To Transport Cloth Worth Rs. 1,566

BOMBAY, Monday. — Prabhakar Umakant Kulkarni, a businessman of Yevla who attempted to transport cotton cloth valued at Rs. 1,566 to Nasik and was arrested at Dadar Railway Station on July 17 last, was today sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 3,000 plus one day's simple imprisonment by Mr J. M. Barot, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Police Court.

The same Magistrate also imposed a fine of Rs. 500 on Ragunath Ambaji, a tailor of Sholapur who also attempted to transport cotton cloth worth Rs 192 to his native place from Dadar Railway station on July 20 last. A sentence of 3 months' simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 200 was awarded by the Magistrate to Radha Krishna Haribhau Ghongle, a merchant of Yevla who was also found guilty of breach of the Textile Control Movement Order. An attempt was made by the accused to transport cloth worth Rs. 1,396 to Nasik on July 17 last.

98 Arrested For Alleged Breach Of Ration Rules

Ninety-eight persons, including Ratilal Premchand, a city businessman, four cooks and ten servants were taken into custody by Crime Branch II of the City police for an alleged breach of rationing rules.

The arrests followed a swoop made by the police at the Shantinath Jain Temple in Pydhownie on Sunday afternoon while a feast was reported to be actually in progress. The police has been tipped off that the accused was throwing a dinner party to a hundred persons at the conclusion of a religious ceremony. They visited the temple where the ceremony was taking place and it is stated they found 85 persons at dinner. The dinner party broke up in confusion as the police proceeded to make arrests.

All the arrested persons were produced before Mr. J. M. Barot, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon to-day and were enlarged on bail.

OVERCROWDING IN TRAMS DECREASING

Bombay's tramcars which looked like circus traps during the last few years, owing to unmanageable rush of travellers, are again returning to normal.

The City Police have started a determined drive to stop the menace of over-crowding in trams and buses.

For over a week now the Police have started surprise checking of surplus passengers. They halt an overcrowded tram and clear all passengers found to be in excess of the seating accommodation. Not satisfied by this measure, a constable boards a tramcar from its starting point and remains at the entrance till it reaches its destination, thus making it impossible for habitual free-riders to take advantage of over-crowding.

CIVIC ASSOCIATION INAUGURATED

BOMBAY, Monday.

The need of civic association to act as a link between the citizens and the Bombay Municipal Corporation was emphasised by Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, a former corporator and President of the Civic Association of Bombay, inaugurating that body at Servants' of India Hall this evening.

A number of former municipal councillors, who are members of the Association, were present on the occation.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta explaining the aims and objects of the Civic Association said that it was a body started with the idea that all former municipal councillors and also present corporators could make suggestions to the present Municipal Corporation in various fields of municipal affairs. Sanitation, primary Education, the city transport, Water supply were the subjects which concern the daily life of millions of citizens in Bombay. Since the Corporation was functioning purely on the basis of political party system, he said, there was all the greater need for such a body to step in and place before the Corporation suggestions made by citizens, who elect the Municipal councillors.

Mr. Mehta made it clear that the Civic Association was not at all a political body nor was it a body set up to fight civic elections. It was a platform for all parties to gather and make constructive suggestions to the Corporation and serve the interest of common citizen.

Dr. Sorhab Mehta, Mr. Mohal Desai, Mr. Ishwarbhai Patel, and Rao Saheb N. M. Kale also spoke supporting the ideas of the president.

Pakistan Book Forfeited

The Government of Bombay has declared to be forfeited to His Majesty all copies, wherever found, of the book entitled "15th August" in Urdu and all other documents containing copies, reprints or translations of or extracts from it. The book is written by Mr. Rashid Akhtar Nadvi and printed at the Amrit Electric Press, Lahore and printed and published by Mr. Abdus-Salem from the Orient Literature Company, Lahore (Pakistan).

Bengali Booklet Forfeited

The Government of West Bengal has issued a notification under section 19 of the India Press (Emergency Powers) Act 1931, declaring to be forfeited to His Majesty all copies of the booklet in Bengali, entitled "Biplaber Kalakausal" (Tactics of Revolution), translated by Sunil Krishna Sen from the original written by Ram Nandan Misra and published by Kamal Sen, Propaganda Secretary of the Socialist Book Club, from 4/26, Fern Road, Calcutta.

WEATHER

Weather Summary

POONA, Oct 18 (API): Following is the daily weather summary for Monday, Oct 18th, 1948:-

Weather is markedly unsettled in the south-east Arabian Sea off Malabar where a depression is likely to form. The north-east monsoon has set in the south peninsula and has been vigorous along the Coromandel Coast.

Rainfall has been widespread in southe-east Madras and south Malabar. Scattered showers have also occurred in Bihar, Chota Nagpur, in and near the west United Provinces hills, the Bombay Deccan and Mysore.

Forecast valid until the evening of 19th:—

Rainfall accompanied by thunderstorms will be widespread and locally heavy in Malabar and southeast Madras. There will be local thunderrain in Mysore and a few thundershowers in the south Deccan, south Konkan and the north Madras coast. Isolated thunderstorms may also occur in east Rajputana, the East Punjab and the hills of the West Punjab.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, Oct 18 (API): Following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from Oct. 1, 1948 and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours (I.S.T.) on Oct 18, 1948:-

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KHER'S TRIBUTE TO HORNIMAN

His Heroic Fight For India Recalled

BOMBAY, October 17: The Premier of Bombay, Mr. B. G. Kher, has issued the following statement to the press on the death of Mr. B. G. Horniman:

With the death of Mr. Benjamin Guy Horniman, one may say that the last of the stalwarts who waged the battle for India's freedom by constitutional and parliamentary methods under the inspiration of Sir Phirojeshah Mehta and others of his school of thought has been removed from our midst. Uncompromising honesty, political courage and journalistic integrity were the distinguishing characteristics of Mr. Horniman. He was a born hater of cant, humbug, false prestige and hypocricy and exposed them in a trenchant manner. He was a man of the people and I can recall an occasion in the early days of your Swaraj agitation when, clad in a tight-fitting kurta and in a lungi he came to the Sands of Chowpatti and led thousands of our countrymen, whom he looked upon as his own, in some expiatory ceremony.

Generous to a fault, he had no thought that, after he ceased to worldly blessings and it is no wonder that, after he ceased to be active, the world which only looks forward and never back, did not notice him or even care for him. I would be failing in my duty to my country and to humanity if I did not pay my genuine tribute to the memory of this Englishman who had given himself in adoption to India and who was as good an Indian as any one might wish to find in this vast continent.

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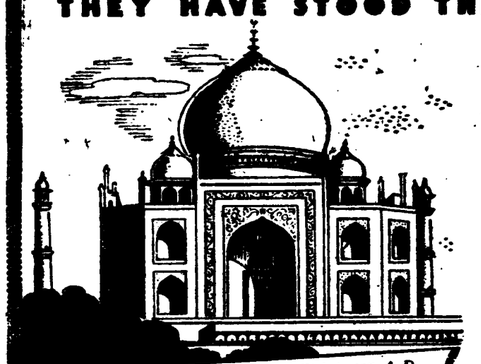

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—SAADI

FIRST THINGS FIRST

Over the resumed session of the Commonwealth Premiers' Conference looms the lengthening shadow of Eire which was not invited to the Conference. The informal discussion between the three Dominions of Canada, Australia and New Zealand and Britain, on the one hand, and the representatives of Eire, on the other, has evoked considerable interest in the British Press, in fact, for the first time, the limelight has been stolen from India. The "Manchester Guardian" observes that, if India and South Africa can be accommodated in the Commonwealth along with Canada and Australia, then Irish ingenuity should not be greatly put out to find a place, consistent with national honour, there too. This is one way of looking at the problem. It is equally true that, if the British Commonwealth cannot be ideologically enlarged to hold Eire, it will be well nigh impossible to expect India, Pakistan and Ceylon to be satisfied. On one point, there is room for satisfaction: Dr. Yusuf Dadoo, after his prolonged talk with Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Premier of Pakistan, has stated that Pakistan's support to the cause of Indians (by which term Pakistanis are also understood to be included) in South Africa is a force to be counted on. The suggestion in an earlier message that Mr. Liaquat Ali had discussed the exchange of trade facilities with the South African Minister, Mr. Louw, had conveyed a different and totally misleading impression. There can be small hope of successful trade talks so long as elementary citizenship rights are withheld from nationals resident in South Africa. That has been India's stand, and it is a matter for congratulation that Pakistan has virtually affirmed this. On the question of South Africa's treatment of Asian peoples, there can be nothing less than a united front between India, Pakistan and Ceylon, and this three-Dominion stand is likely to be a force at all Commonwealth discussions on inter-unit relations. If India can be made to feel comfortable in the Commonwealth, there is no reason why Eire should not remain also as a unit. If Eire is not accommodated, then India cannot be a member of the British system whatever paper concessions are arrrived at. It is for this reason that well-wishers of the Commonwealth must deplore the absence of Eire's Prime Minister from the important session now being held in London. It will, naturally, be a very different matter if Eire, in spite of every effort to meet her needs resolves to leave the Commonwealth. It is obvious that for a fair opinion to be formed on these matters Eire should be heard by the other Dominions.

The evolving of a formula for satisfying the non-British Dominions in the Commonwealth has come in for considerable attention. Pandit Jawaharlal is expected to contribute to consideration of this subject, and he is reported to have enlisted the services of Sir B. N. Rau for this purpose. So far as Indian opinion goes, the broad outlines of what is required are not in serious doubt. India must not be involved in any system which puts her out of favour with neighbouring countries. British policy as a whole must be in line with Asian nationalism if India's position in the Commonwealth is not to lead her into a dubious role. In the matter of inter-Dominion disputes, it is desirable that a tribunal, representative of the different units, be set up and that all internal conflicts within the Commonwealth be referred to this tribunal. As a rule the reference of Commonwealth disputes to international organisations should be eliminated, except where within the Commonwealth justice fails to be meted out. It might be even advisable for the tribunal's sanction to be made necessary for any such reference. It is important to note here that the present Commonwealth Conference itself has one procedural defect which should not be repeated: Whatever Eire might decide in the future, at present she is still a Dominion of the Commonwealth and, as such, her Prime Minister should have been at the Conference; on the other hand, whatever status Southern Rhodesia acquires in the next few years or even months, she is not yet a Dominion and her Premier is out of place at the London session. These two anomalies suggest that the Commonwealth Premiers' Conference has been rigged to balance the British and non-British sections. Had Eire been represented and Southern Rhodesia left out, there would have been four Dominions on the extremist side, three on the other and an uncertain quantity in South Africa. There could conceivably have been issues at which the weight of the non-British peoples would have asserted itself. On other occasions Britain might have been compelled to decide between two equal forces. There should be no such suggestion of manipulation in the more important task of establishing a Commonwealth machinery for deciding disputes.

The question of settling the political structure of the Commonwealth has an important bearing on India's future relations with it. Much has been said about the necessity of granting freedom to the units to become a republic. That is a right which cannot easily be withheld at this stage. Insistence on the Crown has largely arisen from those to whom the Crown has a sentimental appeal. But as much of what they say has no meaning to those who desire more durable and basic ties, it is obvious that the Crown cannot seriously be insisted on. The development of a common foreign policy and the acceptance of certain basic principles relating to racial equality and Commonwealth understanding are far more important than the continuance of a monarchic system. The advanced section of British opinion has come to accept this position, and it will not be very long before the British Government also accords its support to it. At the same time, there might be certain advantages in retaining the symbolic Crown if the principles by which India stands firmly are generally accepted and given effect to. The British King, when all is said and done, is a constitutional monarch: and it is about the least offensive form of imposition which can be inflicted on members of the Commonwealth. In this first Conference of Dominion Premiers after Indian Independence, it is necessary that attention should be concentrated on principles of co-operation, brotherhood and good fellowship than on the shadow of political forms. For in the last analysis, India when she decides her attitude will be guided by these principles.

Agricultural Research And Production

The Indian Council of Agricultural Research claims to have organised a number of research schemes embracing important aspects of agriculture and animal husbandry. This is encouraging news in a country which has long been predominantly agricultural but which has been suffering for several years past from severe scarcity in essential food grains. Particularly encouraging is the claim that improved strains of rice, wheat and other crops evolved by the Council during the last 20 years have, at a very moderate estimate, offered a return of Rs. 29 crores to the Indian agriculturist, while the amount spent by the Council on its more than 200 research schemes is only Rs. 56 lakhs and will probably be Rs. 1.25 crores when the schemes terminate. We do not expect every research scheme to be successful in the sense of at least paying its cost. But we do expect that the schemes in general, together with suitable schemes of their practical application, should, in a reasonable time, remedy over apparently chronic food scarcity. For one reason or other, however, the desired result has not yet been attained, and we still need to import millions of tons of food.

It is difficult to say where precisely the hitch or hitches lie. Is the research inadequately aided by Government or is it defective in spite of adequate help? Do the results of research fail to reach the agriculturist, say, owing to his being miserably backward in education or his being too conservative to adopt new methods of production? Or is there something seriously defective in our agricultural education in general? Probably there is force in every one of these questions. In any case, the fact remains that, despite our many schemes of agricultural research and many more to give practical effect to them, despite ceaseless and extensive propaganda to grow more food, we fail to grow enough food. And this cannot be explained by failure of the monsoon every year. Year after year the yield per acre of rice, wheat and other cereals is very poor, as compared with other countries. In many parts of the country it is getting steadily poorer. It is necessary for Government to consider the subject seriously from every point of view. And once it is found necessary to adopt certain measures to grow enough food, funds must be found for them, through taxation or loans or both, if necessary.

We have often expressed our own view that we are ill-nourished because our land itself is ill-nourished, or rather has long been ill-nourished with manure and water. If the view is right, it follows that Government and the public should co-operate in feeding the starved land with sufficient manure and also with water from whichever source available. Compost manufacture should be encouraged in every village and town. This is not a long-range programme but will give results soon. The same is true of digging new wells and tanks and repairing old ones, though we would also wholeheartedly support long-range programmes of canal irrigation. As regards other aids to production, we shall emphasise here the need for wider and better agricultural education. Agriculture must be the basis of Basic education in all rural areas: every taluka must have a good agricultural school with a model farm attached to it. Without such a wide foundation for agricultural education and without more agricultural colleges in the country, efficient research is not possible at the top nor will its results reach the agriculturist in the fields.

Tenancy Bill

The Revenue Minister's speech in introducing the Bombay Tenancy Bill at Poona, is a dogmatic one for making the tillers of the land its owners, only because the Congress Government wants it, without thoughtfully considering their economic position in tilling the lands. He did not prove by any facts as to their means and capability to improve agricultural lands to increase their production, by holding an inquiry by a committee, when on the contrary experts like Sir Manilal B. Nanawati and others are of opinion that it is essential for the improvement of agriculture and grow more food crop, that the inefficient classes, who have crowded in agriculture, should be removed, since they had neither equipment nor aptitude to pursue the occupation profitably, for in this age of specialisation it was difficult to plead for their retention. Moreover, the Government has not done anything before bringing the present revised Tenancy Bill vigorously to give effect to the Agricultural Holdings Act passed in 1947, for preventing the fragmentation of agricultural lands to improve the economic condition of the agriculturists. Neither it has done anything to educate them to make them fit and appreciate the new methods, to improve agriculture and increase its production, except the paper propaganda, by lavishly wasting public money, without any results, which fact is now known to all. By this Bill more powers are given to Revenue officers, in favour of the tenants and the aggrieved party is barred to vindicate his rights against the decision of the Revenue officers. The Bill will be responsible for less production of crops, which will be a national loss. The Revenue Minister was very optimistic, when he said that the state of the tenants will be improved and more production will be the result by this Bill, within next five years. It is far from it knowing as I do the inefficiency and the habits of the tenants.

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Madras Invites Foreign Engineering Firms

MADRAS, Oct. 18 (API): The Madras Government have advertised in the United States of America and in the United Kingdom engineering firms to undertake the works connected with the Rampadsagar project.

The Rampadsagar project will cost about 130 crores.

U. P. Assembly Janata Party's Decision

LUCKNOW, Oct. 18 (UPI): The Janata Party (People's Party) in the Legislative Assembly of the United Provinces, at a meeting today decided not to participate in the discussions in the Assembly as the language used in the House being not understandable.

INDIA'S DRAFT CONSTITUTION

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

(BY P. M. NANAVATI)

II*

The attempt made in this Part to lay down the "Fundamental Rights" of man in the Constitution is a novel one; for although such rights have been asserted in various ways in various countries also, they generally do not find a place in their Constitution. Their incorporation in the Constitution has made it necessary for us, not merely to recite those rights, but also to provide legal remedies against their infringement by our Legislatures. Thus it has been laid down in Article 8 that all the existing laws and those that may hereafter be passed by any Legislature—shall be void in so far as they are inconsistant with any fundamental right. This remedy may, however, prove worse than the disease. For, under this Article almost no law than the disease. For, under this Article almost no law will be free from being made the subject of a Judicial review, for every law will more or less relate to some one or other of the fundamental rights, of which a comprehensive list is given in the Constitution. Cases in which the validity of any law may be questioned under Article 8 are also bound to be frequent, and the Courts are also bound to hold the inquiry and give their judgments in all such cases. This cannot but result in hampering the work of the Courts and causing them unnecessary strain. It may also often result in frequent conflicts between the judiciary and the States. But, above all, it may bring into disrupte out own popular Legislatures. We must not forget that it is the people's representatives who will make the laws for us, and it is their prestigue, as also the prestigue of the democracy of our Constitution that will suffer, if the extensive powers that this Article 8, read with Article 25, gives to the Courts results in their laws being too frequently challenged, and vetoed by courts.

DECLARATION ENOUGH

Again although all the limitations, that could be thought of in the light of the interests of the community at large have been imposed in Part III upon the individual's fundamental rights so as to prevent a conflict between the two and also to enable the State to make laws for the wider interests of the community, there cannot be any certainty that these limitations are either complete or will suffice at all times and in all contingencies. This endeavour, therefore, to strike a balance between the rights of the individual and the interests of the community once for all and in all circumstances may be found to be wanting in future, but it would be very undignified to have to change the Constitution now and then, especially in respect of Fundamental Rights.

All things considered, it would seem best to omit Part III from the Constitution and issue a declaration, instead, reciting the Fundamental Rights of the people. Even if this Part be retained in the Constitution, at least Article 8 may be omitted from it, as it is likely to be a fruitful source of mischief. Now that our Legislatures are wholly elected bodies, we must trust them to respect our rights, even when merely declared and not embodied in the Constitution. If, however, they do not, there are always constitutional remedies for it. In any case, such respect does not depend merely on incorporating those rights and the legal remedies for their enforcement in the constitution. Fundamental Rights formed a part of the German Constitution and yet the German people were cheated out of those rights.

RIGHTS OF EQUALITY

ARTICLE 12:—Provides that the State shall not confer any title. There are, however, laws already passed by the State conferring Baronetcies on citizens. Will these laws be void under Article 8?

ARTICLE 16:—The words "by and between the citizens" that were there after the words "trade, commerce and inter-course" (line 24) in this Article and that are proposed to be omitted by the Drafting Committee should be retained; for this and all other Articles in Part III defines the Fundamental Rights of only the "Citizens" of India, and it is possible to conceive of cases in which the rights of a foreigner in respect of trade may have to be restricted. Unless the words in question are restored, there is also the possibility of the validity of any existing law restricting a foreigner's trade rights being called in question under Article 8.

ARTICLE 17:—Although clause (1) of this Article prohibits "Begar", its clause (2), by permitting imposition of compulsory service for public purposes, legalises "Begar" in a way. It is suggested, therefore, that the words "on payment" may be added after the word "service" in line 6; and as the words "public purposes" are also too wide to include almost any purpose and as such compulsory service should in fact be restricted to extraordinary occasions only, the words "on occasions of emergency" may be added after these words.

RIGHTS RELATING TO RELIGION

ARTICLE 19:—Clause (1) of this Article, giving freedom of conscience and a right to practise religion applies to all Indian States also. Many of these States, especially in Rajputana, however, have a law punishing cow-killing as an offence. All these laws, will be void under Article 19 read with Article 8, which will very much wound the feelings of the people in the States.

Clause (1) of this Article, again while giving the right of propagating any religion, does not safeguard the State's right to regulate or restrict the exercise of this right. It is, therefore, suggested that for the words "religious practice' at the end of subclause (a) in clause (2) of this Article, the words "the practice and propagation of religion" may be substituted.

ARTICLE 21:—Although this Article proscribes the levy of taxes collected specifically for a particular religion, it should be made clear that the appropriation of a part of the income from the general revenue of the State towards this purpose shall not be invalid. Such a provision is necessary to safeguard not only the provision in many Indian States for their DEVASTHAN Department but also any existing grants to any religious institutions in the Province as well.

ARTICLE 22:—This Article, proposed to be added by the Draft Committee, proscribing all religious instruction and worship in schools, may be omitted. A secular State need not be godless.

RIGHTS TO PROPERTY

ARTICLE 24:—Clause (2) of this Article provides that no property shall be acquired for a public purpose under any law which does not provide for payment of a compensation for it. The saving, however, in the next clause (3) to the effect that nothing in clause (2) shall affect any existing law or a law that may hereafter be passed for certain purposes seems to suggest that there are laws now in force under which property could be acquired without payment of any compensation or that such laws could be passed hereafter. As there is no such law however, in force to my knowledge nor should it be passed, clause (3) of this Article may be omitted.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

* Preceding article appeared in the "Chronicle" of 15th instant.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Natural Development

The dissolution of the Nizam's Advisory Committee was to be expected. Its temporary character was ensured by the inclusion of a man like Din Yar Jung on it. The Nizam, since the setting up of the Military Administration, has been more or less the fifth wheel to the coach and not all the scrupulous respecting of forms and procedures has concealed this fact from the public. The Union Government have from the beginning taken every care to see that their intention to overhaul the Hyderabad administration thoroughly was not in doubt. Civil and Police officials from the Union went into Hyderabad to effect a drastic change and they have not been tardy in their approach. Obviously there is more to follow by way of replacing the facade of superfluous advisers with an effective working system. It will be some time yet before the interim arrangements which will tide Hyderabad over into the constitutional regime, are made. The Military Administration has done very well so far. Its main task was to free the State from the menace of the Razakars. Once that has been accomplished, then it is a matter of commonsense that the military regime should give way to a civil government, functioning under Delhi's direct control. This transformation cannot take very long now.

Public Flogging

The introduction of public flogging to bring looters under control in Hyderabad is a significant move, indicating the Union's determination to leave no avenue unexplored in the task of restoring public respect for Law and Order. In the worst stages of communal rioting, public flogging was not resorted to in Indian provinces because Congress Ministries were averse to a course which, they feared, would be degrading to human self-respect. In Hyderabad, however, the action and reaction provoked by communal fanaticism were of so terrible a nature that every measure of the Law had to be called into effect to curb the evil. There have been appeals too from public leaders for restraint and orderly behaviour on the part of the people. The admonitions and penalties will, no doubt, serve to restore normal civic life in the shortest possible time. The success of a deterrent law lies greatly in its not having to be resorted to. From this point of view, it is regrettable that so many cases have arisen where public flogging has had to be carried out. From whichever section the looters come, the Hyderabadis as a whole must appreciate that the sooner looting stops, the earlier will civil administration be restored to the State. The example of Mysore, where whipping has been abolished as a penalty, is before the people of Hyderabad.

Eire's Place

The conference between Eire's Ministers and the Premiers of the Commonwealth Dominions at Chequers is an important meeting which was convened at the request of New Zealand, Australia and Canada. The intention of Eire to repeal the External Relations Act which, if carried out, will make Eire a foreign country, roused interest in these three Dominions which contain large Irish populations. The object of the meeting was to mitigate the consequences of such action. Obviously, Eire's intention has a vital meaning to the other Dominions like India, Pakistan and Ceylon which cannot be unmoved by any Commonwealth attempt to continue the links with a Dominion which is bent on severing most or all of them. The conference is evidently intended to cover the gap created by Eire's absence at the Commonwealth Premiers' Conference. But in view of the issues involved, it is not only the Dominions with a large Irish population which are concerned with the decision of Eire. It is a bad precedent that the Eire problem should be dealt with in a spirit of segregation. As part of the larger question of Dominion relations, it should have been threshed out at the Commonwealth Conference itself.

Palestine Battleground

Against the background of mounting tension between Jew and Arab in Palestine, Henry Morgenthau has raised a scare which will only serve to confuse the issues further. He has pleaded for recognition of Israel the Jewish State as a measure of checking the Communist progress in the Middle East. It is only protracting the conflict to link it up with the East-West controversy which is threatening a third world conflagration. The Arabs are not by any means more susceptible to Communist propaganda than the Jews, and Mr. Morgenthau's contention is hard to substantiate. If the United Nations accepts Mr. Morgenthau's thesis, then Palestine will become one of the issues which elude settlement; and recognition of the Jewish State, which has the support of Soviet Russia, will be made the more difficult. The immediate problem now is to keep the warring Arabs and Jews apart and peaceful. Both sides have increased the U.N.'s difficulties by turning down the "cease fire" order and threatening "full-scale warfare." Does Mr. Morgenthau intend that to the local conflict should be superimposed the struggle between Russia and the U.S.A. for power? He has certainly not made matters easier for the United Nations by his refusal to see that Russia is still a member of the United Nations and a powerful member at that.

Sorabji Saklatwala

The death of Sir Sorab Saklatwala removes from the ranks of leading industrialists of the country, a wise personality mellowed by long experience. It also reduces the rapidly thinning ranks of veteran citizens of Bombay who had enriched the city by their labours in an age which men of a later generation are apt to pass over without adequate consideration or appreciation. As a nephew of the great Jamshedji Tata and one of the early architects of the House of Tatas, there was no department of industry and finance in which Sir Sorabji was not interested and to which he did not make his contribution. Apart from his activities as a director of banks and textile mills, he served as a member of the Bombay Legislative Council in 1934 and was a member of the Legislative Assembly since the last elections in 1946. In both these bodies, he functioned as a custodian of the broad interests of the public of this province as a whole rather than as a champion and spokesman of the class interests of the Millowners whom he represented. This same broad sympathy with the mass of workers coupled with a through grasp of the details of industry was manifested by him in his work as a member of the Textile Inquiry Committee set up the Congress Government in 1937. His death is not a loss to the house of Tatas alone but also to the Province of Bombay and to the cause of India's economic progress.

Welfare Schemes For Katkaris

The Bombay Government has shown commendable concern for the welfare of the Adiwasis in the province. We have already commented on the recommendations of the Committee appointed by it for the Adiwasis' educational progress. Those recommendations are being considered by Government. Meanwhile, it has taken prompt action on several of the recommendations of the Special Officer appointed to prepare a scheme for an all round advancement of the Katkaris in the Kolaba and Thana districts. In accordance with this scheme the Katkaris will have their own labour organisations with the assistance of Government appointed welfare officers who will watch the Katkaris' progress, inquire into their needs and help them in various ways. Government has accepted in principle the Special Officer's recommendation that the Katkaris should be relieved of their old debts to forest contractors and be given "an opportunity to begin on a clean slate." Government has also accepted the recommendation that the existing housing sites of 10 years' standing should be acquired and given out free to the Katkaris. Other generous proposals are the supply of free timber to build huts and the formation of model colonies. On the whole, the Government deserves to be congratulated on the various welfare schemes for the Katkaris, who, we feel sure, will no longer be exploited by their landlords or creditors or political agitators.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

A Mysore Challenge

Sir,—Of late from press reports one has to infer that there is a move in Mysore on the part of some people in the State Congress headed by Sjt. K. Hanumanthaiya, Ministerial party leader in the Local Assembly and a member of the Indian Constituent Assembly from the Mysore quota, to discredit, bring into ridicule, our Government of India and its Ministers.

In one of his speeches in Bangalore, in the immediate presence of some of the Mysore Ministers, he seems to have declared to his audience that the Mysore Ministers were far better than the Nehru Government. In the second speech, with Chief Minister of Mysore Sjt. K. C. Reddy on the platform, he seems to have gone still further and declared that the Ministers of the Government of India did not know so well (so-well, meaning as well as his own Mysore Ministers) the conditions of the villagers and he had the arrogance to suggest that, if the Mysore Ministers had been in charge of the Government of India (meaning instead of Nehru, Patel and others), the present scarcity of food with its controls would never have come. To crown his speech he seems to have thrown out a challenge to prove that he was right by asking his audience, the ryots and villagers of the Bachenahalli village, to go and stay at Delhi for a few days to study the Government of India's administration by Nehru and Patel and others.

On neither of these occasions, have the Mysore Ministers present spoken a single word for afterwards condemning such loose irresponsible, and mischievous talk by a member of his own group against the Government of India, of which Mysore is a part.

It is even more surprising to every person in India that the Congress President in Mysore, Sjt. T. Siddalingaiya, should also have kept silent especially when he himself can realise that Mr. Hanumanthiah is doing this wantenly with some of his supporters because of the President's own letter to the Mysore Congress Working Committee describing the Mysore Ministry and other matters in the Congress and the country.—Yours etc.,

P. RANGASWAMY.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT.

PARIS, Oct. 18 (Reuter): A big Gaullist success in the November elections for the French Council of the Republic (Upper Chamber) was forecast by political sources here this morning after their gains in yesterday's electoral college poll.

Some prophets estimated the Gaullists would either come out as the strongest single party in the new Upper House or even obtain an absolute majority with, perhaps, fifty-five per cent of seats.

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At the resumed conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers, Mr. Bevin is due to-day to continue his review of the foreign situation and "to complete the global picture notably with some remarks on Europe" including Berlin.

The marks, of course, will remain unprintable.

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After his meeting with Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan in London, Dr. Yusuf Dadoo is reported to have declared that "Pakistan is greatly concerned about our struggle in South Africa and will not tolerate racial discrimination in any form" and that "we are assured of Pakistan's full support as we are of India."

Eric Louw has FAILED.

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Speaking at Winchester on his policy in India, Lord Mountbatten disclosed: "I worked by a process previously unknown in India—the process of open diplomacy. I never kept from one side what the other side had said. I never made any secret arrangements."

It only remains for us to say, in order to expose his double unsportsmanship, that he was speaking at the chosen town of Lord Wavell of Winchester.

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Details of the theft as a result of which Mr. Sri Prakasa lost valuables and confidential documents show that thieves first removed his three boxes and other luggage to a neighbouring compartment.

Mr. Sri Prakasa is evidently a heavy sleeper.

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A U. N. spokesman is quoted as saying that Israel forces are shelling and bombing Gaza, seat of the Palestine Arab Government.

And with each shell and bomb go the hearty good wishes of every friend and sympathiser in Europe and U. S. A.

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It is reported from Haifa that Jewish and Arab Communist parties have decided to fuse into one united party with the aim of fighting for "a binational state of Palestine."

"A" binational and one "State"? What's wrong or right? Is the Line again—er—deviating back?

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The Arab League Secretary-General, Azzam Pasha, said at Cairo: "India's attitude towards Egyptian and Arab causes has been a noble one. She always supports us."

In spite of freakish brotherhoods and some freakish "experts" on India.

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M. Andrei Vyshinsky's refusal to answer the two questions posed by Dr. Bramuglia have "hardened" the opinion of the "neutral" members in favour of passing in the Security Council a resolution condemning the Soviet blockade of Berlin.

Which is sensationally terrible news.

By the way, what do they intend after passing the resolution?

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New public buildings in Australia, says a Brisbane report, will be designed to withstand atomic destructions, the design being based on observations made at Nagasaki and Hiroshima.

It is no use discouraging people who would build 100 pound bomb-proof shelters against V2's.

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Mr. Truman is reported to have justified his optimism regarding the possibilities of peace because of the U. N. meetings in Paris, when and where "the nations of the world, including Russia, were willing to talk over their problems."

More appropriately, to abuse each other over their problems. But, of course, Mr. Truman is entitled to his irrepressible optimism.

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According to a Madrid report, a Communist plot to blow up General Franco is being investigated by police in the provinces of Salamanca.

We were looking forward to a timely discovery of such a plot.

SCOFF AT

Side by side and head to tail, packed close together like sardines in a tin, sit dozens of caterpillars on the trunk of the Love Apple tree. Their bodies are brown and velvety and very hairy and can hardly be seen against the rough brown bark of the tree. They are the Processionary caterpillars of a certain moth which lays its eggs in a large cluster on this tree. The caterpillars, from the time they hatch from the eggs to the time they pupate, live a social life, so social in fact that they never leave each other! When they rest they sit side by side. When one moves they all move in a long procession, creeping up the tree one after the other, each touching the one in front until the leader decides to stop. Then they again arrange themselves side by side in a closely packed cluster. Their dull colouring protects them from observation and their hairs, which causes severe skin eruptions in human beings, probably make them equally unpalatable to birds which might otherwise attack them. When they pupate they make cocoons for themselves of silk mixed with the hairs of their caterpillar bodies either on a leaf or in a crack in the bark.

PROCESSIONARY CATERPILLARS

D. R.

RECORD IN WOMEN'S TABLE TENNIS—ONE POINT LASTS 14 MINUTES

Mrs. Nasikwala Wins Yet Another Singles Title: K. S. Cooper Lucky To Enter Final

BOMBAY, Monday.—If any proof was needed that the Women's table tennis is passing through a dismal and bleak period, that proof was more than amply supplied when Mrs. Gool Nasikwalla and Miss Enid Bocarro embarked upon a Marathon Women's Singles final. With two games all the two of them started the fifth and last game in a manner that certainly had no consideration for the limited crowd that had gathered there.

The first point, they started playing as if they had decided to defend till the cows came home, and were completely oblivious of the presence of the spectators.

Neither Miss Bocarro nor Mrs Nasikwalla wished to take any risks, and the first point took exactly 13 minutes and 45 seconds and the point ultimately gave Miss Boccaro the vital lead of one point. 838 rallies were fought out before anything could be done. Mrs. Gool Nasikwalla had a hard time to level at 3 all. And when the score was 3-3, there were only three minutes left. Thereupon ensued once again the long rallies, and Miss Bocarro was unlucky to lose the point and the title with it.

This is apparently the longest rally that has been played by women in this country

K.S. COOPER SURVIVES AGAINST NARAYANAN

K N S Narayanan, paid the penalty for relaxing in the third game in his semi-final encounter with K. S. Cooper. Being two games up he had rallied brilliantly to level at 17-17 in the third and when he had the game in his hand, a few careless strokes changed the complexion of the whole game, and Cooper ran away with the next three games to win one of the most popular victories of the covering. With Narayanan bringing into play both his flanks it became difficult for Cooper to check him, and he had to be satisfied with the negative points that Narayanan missed.

Over this evening avenged his recent defeat at the hands of Thackersey in the Men's Singles semi-final. Thackersey played like a general, who has his plans ready for action, and he today put up a very good fight, though the scores do not indicate the manner in which the game was played.

The following are the results:

WOMEN'S SINGLES
(Finals)

Mrs Gool Nasikwalla beat Miss Enid Bocarro, 21-7 12-21 21-11, 4-3 Time Limit)

MEN'S SINGLES
(Semi-finals)

O'Dyer beat S K Thackersey, 21-16 21-17, 21-18. K. S beat K. N. S Narayanan, 11-21, 18-21, 21-12, 21-14, 21-15

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

Mrs Gool Nasikwalla and Miss Enid Bocarro beat Mrs Mani Bharucha and Miss Amina Joosab 14-21 21-12 21-12, 21-16

MEN'S DOUBLES
(Semi-finals)

O'Dyer and R M Khatau beat A I Jacob and S K Thakersey, 23-21 21-16, 21-18. V V Prabhu and B A Lalljee beat R D Kalavar and P Kumar, 18-21, 21-17, 21-14, 21-14

CONSOLATION SINGLES
(Final)

J N Galvankar beat S L Jai 21-13 18-21, 21-14.

DADAR PARSI COLONY TABLE TENNIS

Open Tournament For Suburban Residents

BOMBAY, Monday.

The Dadar Parsi Colony Gymkhana are conducting an Open Table Tennis Tournament for the residents of "E" "F" and "G" Wards as well as the residents of the Suburbs.

The Tournament, which is being held under the auspices of the BPTTA, shall be played from 22nd to 29th October.

The entries which close tomorrow Tuesday at 6-30 p.m. will be received at the Dadar Parsi Colony Gymkhana.

Challenge Cups have been offered for the Men's and Women' Singles.

Further particulars can be had from the Secretary (Phone No. 43287).

CRICKET AT MEERUT

MEERUT, October 18.

The Army Head Quarters, Delhi defeated the Indian Gymkhana Meerut by 88 runs in the cricket match played here yesterday —A.P.I.

In the Day's Sport

CRICKET

Brabourne Stadium

10-45 A. M. Indian Universities XI versus West Indies.

TABLE TENNIS

Student Y.M.C.A. Lamington Road

6-30 p.m. Men's Singles Final.
7-0 p.m. Junior's Singles Final.
7-20 p.m. Men's Doubles Final.
7-45 p.m. Mixed Doubles Final.

FOOTBALL

St. Xavier's Ground, Parel

4-0 p.m. Rangers "B" vs. Dockyard "A".
5-0 p.m. St. Xavier's "A" vs. Tata 'A'.

AMARNATH NOT TO CAPTAIN STATES XI

PATIALA, Oct. 18 (API). L. Amarnath, India's Cricket Captain will not be leading the Indian States Eleven against West Indies at Baroda, as scheduled.

L. Amarnath said here today that he would stay in Patiala for the selection of the North Zone Team against the West Indies. The trial match for this selection has been fixed for October 23rd and 24th.

L. Amarnath said he was happy at the arrival of the West Indies team and was keenly looking forward to the commencement of the tour which, he had no doubt, would do a great deal of good to Indian cricket.

Samuel's Hat-Trick In Junior Rovers

PAREL SOCCER

BOMBAY, Monday.—Two matches were decided in the Junior Rovers Cup Football Tournament this evening at the St Xavier's Ground, Parel.

In the first game:—the third replay Khatau Sports Club prevailed over General Motors Sports Club by three goals to one in the second round encounter. The match was a personal triumph for Samuel, the Khatau left-outer, who was in fine form today. He registered a hat-trick for his side. Samuel was seen in many delightful moves and he was a dangerous attacker for the Motormen.

Dhankoti in General Motors deep defence was not in his usual form and made many mistakes.

Khatau started the game in stormy fashion and opened their account when Samuel, with a solo move, tried a long range shot beating the rival custodian all ends up. But this was a short lead when Baboo of the Motors gave a stray pass and centre forward Barathan connecting, shot into the net giving his side the equaliser.

After this the game ruled in even exchanges and the teams crossed over on level terms.

After the interval Khatau were aggressive for about 13 minutes and within a minute Samuel added the second goal for his side. Soon after the same player completed the hat-trick.

ST. FRANCIS GOANS "A" ENTER SEMI-FINAL

Later in the evening St Francis Goans "A", the champions of the Second Division, moved up to semi-final round after beating St. Xavier's "A" by three goals to nil.

The game was divided in two phases, in the first half St. Xavier's were the superior side, while in the second period, the Goans held the upper hand.

In the first minute the Goans took the lead through C Braganza who after dodging three defenders scored. Soon after the College turned aggressive but they could not score as the Goans concentrated more on the defence. After the interval the Goans called the tune and scored two more goals through C. Bragaza and John Fernandes.

MOHAN BAGAN IN A DRAWN GAME

LUCKNOW, Oct 17 (API): The Exhibition Match this evening between Mohan Bagan, the Premier Calcutta football team and the City Club, Lucknow League Champions, ended in a goal-less draw.

All Bombay Open Chess Tournament, 1948

WELL-KNOWN PLAYERS WILL TAKE PART

The Chess Club of India has pleasure in announcing the first All Bombay open Chess tournament. Response from chess enthusiasts has been extraordinarily good and we have among the participants some All-India class players.

The following gentlemen have accepted the committee's invitation to play against qualifying competitors from the Primary and Qualifying rounds: Dr. DeCunha, Prof Billimoria, S. V. Samant, M. H Pradhan, P. S. Gupte, R. B. Sapre, V. V. Vad, M. K. Gawande, N. B. Prakash.

The veteran Champion, N. R. Joshi has also been invited and is expected to be seen in action too.

The Final and Qualifying rounds will be played in the all-play-all league fashion and ranking will be done on points.

The Primary division elimination rounds will be decided on the Swiss system of International Chess Tournament.

Following prizes will be awarded:
Final—
Rs. 250, Rs. 125, Rs 75.
Qualifying—Rs 50, Rs 40, Rs 30.
Primary—Rs. 30, Rs. 20.

CHETANA Art Centre has offered a handsome trophy to the Champion of the tournament.

For adjourned games in the preliminary rounds, assistance has been assured from the following well-known chess players constituting the Adjudication Committee:

Mr. Qazi Naziruddin, Mr. V. P. Gupta, Mr. S. L. Borwankar, Mr G. G. Dhavle, Mr. N. R. Abhyankar.

It is hoped to play the Final division entirely with regulation chess clocks and owing to the scarcity of such clocks in India an appeal is hereby made for the loan of such clocks from owners.

'Audience Chess Boards' for the first time in India whereby spectators will be able to follow the progress of the Final games from a distance.

The following are on the tournament committee: D. P. Basu, A. Peerbhoy, M. H. Pradhan, R. B. Parelwalla, S. H. Tavaria, M. K Gawande, and C. David.

All games will be played at CHETANA, 34, Rampart Row, Bombay. The first round will commence on the 20th October, at 6-30 p.m.

FIRST ROUND DRAW

The first round draw in the Primary division of the All Bombay Chess Tournament to be played on the 20th of October, Wednesday, at 6-30 p.m. at CHETANA is as follows:

WHITE	BLACK
Sharma (1) vs. Acidwalla (9)	
P. J. M. Desai (2) vs. Patehally (17)	
Mugaseth (6) vs. S. A. Marshall (33)	
Mulgaonkar (12) vs. Chadha (30)	
Mrs. Tavaria (24) vs. Minoo Desai	(20)
Gracias (27) vs. Kothari (15)	
Sabnis (29) vs. Narsi (18)	
Lala (31) vs. Mazumdar (10)	
N. N. Thadani (34) vs. Singh 41)	
Tyabji (16) vs. G. N. Thadani (35)	
Mokashi (38) vs. Subbaiya (36)	
P. D. Ratnagar (40) vs. Sethna (28)	
Doctor (44) vs. Mistry (21)	
M. S. Marshall (11) vs. Contractor	(22)
Gopalaswamy (37) vs. Kerawalla (13)	
Pestonji (48) vs. Murthy (50)	

(Numbers in parentheses are competitors' serial numbers which will be always referred to during the tournament).

The results with points will be published at the end of each round.

According to the Swiss system, there will be three more rounds played in the first elimination group of this division, in which players would continue to collect or lose points with a maximum of 4 points and a minimum of 0.

EXHIBITION SOCCER AT ALLAHABAD

ALLAHABAD October 18 (API): Mohan Bagan Athletic Club, Calcutta, winners of the I.F.A. Shield, defeated Allahabad District Selected by six goals to one in an exhibition match played here this evening.

Parliamentarians To Confer

LONDON, Oct. 18. (Reuter): The largest and most representative gathering ever of Commonwealth Parliamentarians will assemble in London tomorrow for the opening session of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference.

The delegates, totalling 87 and representating 37 different Parliaments and Legislatures within the Commonwealth, will meet in the Grand Committee room at Westminister Hall, House of Commons.

The first session will be opened by the British Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee. Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, secretary of State for Commonwealth relations, will preside over the Conference, which will last until October 27.

There will be no resolutions or voting, except upon any domestic issue concerning the Association's future construction, which may arise.

Russia Accused Of Employing Slave Labour

PARIS, Oct. 18. (Reuter): Eight prominent exiled political leader from six eastern European countries today appealed to the United Nations to condemn the Soviet Union for alleged employment of slave labour, the abolition of freedom of speech, violations of human rights and other "crimes" under the United Nations Charter.

They included Dr. Geme Dimitrov (Bulgaria), Dr. Joseph Cerny (Czechoslovakia), Dr. Vlarko Matchek (Croat Peasant Party), and Dr. Perenc Nagy (former Hungarian Premier).

India's Steel Output

NEW DELHI, Oct. 18 (API).—The total quantity of steel produced in India during the quarter July-September, 1948, was 211,050 tons and the production of figures for the first two quarters of the year were 2,24,600 tons and 2,01,700 tons respectively, it is reliably learnt. The decline in the two quarters is attributed to breakdown in SCOB machinery, which has resumed normal production from September. The production for the year 1948 will be 8,25,000 tons, it is estimated, a figure which compares unfavourably with the production figure for 1947 (a year of universal under-production) which was 868,580 tons.

MEASURES TO SPEED UP PRODUCTION

The Govrnment are doing their utmost to step up production to its existing capacity, namely, 12,60,000 tons per year and to assist Tatas and SCOB in their plans for increasing their annual output. Besides attempting these short-term remedies, the Government are also taking preliminary measures towards the speedy fulfilment of their million-ton production scheme.

The need existing in India at present is for two and a half million tons of steel.

U. S. Planes On Combat Alert

FRANKFURT, Oct. 18 (U.P.A.).—A group of American fighter planes is being kept on a continuous combat alert because of forays by Russian and "unidentified" aircraft over the United States zone of Germany, the Air Force said today.

EXCHANGE OF COMMODITIES

Indo-Pakistan Talks

KARACHI, Oct. 18 (API).—The Inter-Dominion talks to work out the details of the mutual exchange of essential commodities agreement reached here in May last, commenced in Karachi today.

The preliminary talks lasted for about three hours. Further discussions will be resumed tomorrow.

It is believed that the Conference today discussed Pakistan's commitments of jute, raw cotton and foodgrains to the Indian Union.

Under the May agreement Pakistan had agreed to supply 50 lakh bales of jute, 6½ lakh bales of cotton and 1,75,000 tons of foodgrains to India during the current year.

The Indian delegation was headed by Mr. C. C. Desai, while Mr. S. A. Hasnie, Joint Secretary to the Ministry of Commerce, led the Pakistan delegation to the Conference.

RESERVE BANK SHARES

Date Of Transfer Fixed As Jan. 1, 1949

NEW DELHI, Oct, 18 (API): Two notifications under the Reserve Bank (Transfer to Public Ownership) Act, 1948, are published in the Gazette of India today (October 19, 1948). The first fixes January 1, 1949 as the date on which the shares of the Reserve Bank will be deemed to be transferred to the Central Government. The second contains rules under the Act prescribing the authority by which and the manner in which compensation will be paid to shareholders. Payments of compensation under the Act will be made by the Reserve Bank of India. Compensation will be paid to persons registered as shareholders immediately before January 1, 1949.

Since the compensation is payable to registered holders or their legal representatives only persons in possession of executed transfers are advised to arrange for early registration in order to avoid inconvenience and loss. The Reserve Bank will close the share registers from December 1, 1948.

Changes In Hyderabad State's Administrative Set-Up

NEW DISTRIBUTION OF PORTFOLIOS: MILITARY GOVERNOR ISSUES ORDERS

SECUNDERABAD, Oct. 18. (A.P.I.): Orders are believed to have issued from the Military Governor today effecting what are authoritatively described here as "far reaching changes" in the administrative set-up of Hyderabad State.

These changes include (1) Dissolution of the Nizam's Advisory Committee headed by the Prince of Berar which was set up on the eve of the State's surrender and in the wake of resignation of the Laik Ali Ministry and (2) a redistribution of "portfolios" between the Military Governor, the Chief Civil Administrator, the Additional Chief Civil Administrator and two prominent Hyderabad citizens who will now be associated with the administration and reorganisation of the secretariat.

This reorganisation is said to follow the abolition of the State's External Affairs and Planning Departments and the incorporation of the Information and Broadcasting Departments with the Home Affairs Department.

The two Hyderabad citizens who have now been taken into the administration are Nawab Zain Jan Jung, one time Hyderabad Agent-General in New Delhi and Raja Dhondi Raj, a District Magistrate.

DISTRIBUTION OF PORTFOLIOS

With the new distribution of portfolios, the Military Governor Major-General J. N. Choudhry will be in charge of the Army, police and Communications other than Railways;

Mr. D. S Bakhale, Chief Civil Administrator in charge of Political Services and Home Affairs (other than Police but including Jails); Railways, Supply and Law;

Mr. D. R. Pradhan, Deputy Chief Civil Administrator, in charge of Finance, Revenue, Commerce and Industry; Nawab Zain Yar Jun, in charge of Public Works, Rural Reconstruction and Labour; and Raja Dhondi Raj, in charge of Customs, Excise, Refugee Rehabilitation and Education.

INVESTIGATION INTO HIGH OFFICER'S CONDUCT

It is learnt that the activities of a high officer of the Hyderabad Army, who is stated to have gone on an arms purchasing mission abroad in 1947 are being investigated into by the Military Administration.

It may be recalled that some transactions made by this officer in an irregular manner with a Canadian firm came to light and was reported by the Canadian Government to the Government of India and the transaction fell through. Attempts made by the same officer to purchase arms in England were also frustrated.

Nawab Deen Yar Jung, a member of the Advisory Council dissolved by the Military Government and Chief of Police during the Laik Ali regime, has been placed under suspension by the Inspector General of Police, Mr. Patro. He is relieved of his duties with effect from today.

Mr. D. S. Bakhale, Chief Civil Administrator, has called a conference of all District Collectors and D.S.P.s on October 27, to be held in Secunderabad.

RS. 5 LAKHS PURSE TO RAMANAND

Swami Ramanand Tirth, President of the Hyderabad State Congress will be presented with a purse of five lakhs of rupees by the Hyderabad citizens in recognition of his services to the peoples' cause.

The decision was taken at a meeting of leading citizens here last night.

"The immediate task of the Governments of Hyderabad and Madras is to act in a much more vigorous and combined way to efface the Communist menace in the villages of Nalgonda and Warrangal Districts an in the border areas of the Indian Union", observes Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao, M.L.A, in the course of a statement to the Press.

CHAUDHRY AT NAGPUR

NAGPUR, Oct. 18 (API).—The Military Governor of Hyderabad Major-General J. N. Chaudhari paid a four-hour visit to Nagpur today flying back to Hyderabad in the afternoon.

General Chaudhari had a meeting at Government house with the Governor of C. P, Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa.

AFGHANS GRANTED 6 MONTH'S EXTENSION

NEW DELHI, Oct 18 (API): Afghans in India, whose continued presence in the country is considered undesirable, have been granted a further extension of six months i.e. upto March 31, 1949, to stay in India. This has been considered necessary by the Government of India in view of the fact that many of them who are money lenders, have not been able to wind up their affairs as yet.

It will be remembered that the Government of India first served orders on them to leave the country on March 31, 1948 which was extended upto September 30, 1948 on a representation made by them.

India Fails On Colonies

PARIS, October 18 (Reuter): The role of mediaton which India has notably adopted at this General Assembly received a check today when Mr. B. Shiva Rao, Delegate to the Colonial and Trusteeship Committee, announced that he had failed to secure British agreement to one of his proposals.

U.N. PROPAGANDA COST CUT

PARIS, October 18 (Reuter): India and Pakistan both threw in their full weight on the side of economy in the discussion of a proposal to cut annual expenditure on the United Nations Public Information Services from £757,000 to £715,000.

The Budgetary Committee later accepted this reduction.

HYDERABAD POLICE CHIEF SUSPENDED

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Oct. 18. (A.P.I.): Nawab Deen Yar Jun, Director-General of the Hyderabad Police in the old administration has been placed under suspension by Mr. A. P. Patro, Inspector-General of Police, Hyderabad. Nawab Deen Yar Jung has been relieved of his duties from today.

U. S. SUPREME COURT DECLINES TO INTERVENE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 (U.P.A.): The Supreme Court today declined to intervene in the squabbling over a contract which binds movie star Joan Leslie to work for Warner Bros. pictures. The contract was signed, March 1942.

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON DECEMBER
NEW YORK, October 18.

Previous Closing	31.17
Today's Opening	31.20
Difference	+.03
Today's Closing	31.37
Difference	+.20

LAST QUOTATIONS
BOMBAY, October 18.

Silver Bullion Forward	Rs. 174 0
Silver Ready	Rs. 175 8
Gold Ready	Rs. 114 12
Sovereign	Rs. 75 4

EXPECTATION:
Cotton Jarila Jan.-Feb. Rs. 590 0

NEW YORK STOCKS
NEW YORK, October 18.

Opening New York Stock Exchange prices:
Anaconda Copper Mining 37-3/4.
General Motors 62-3/4.
United States Steel Common 82-5/8.
United States Steel Preference unquoted.

London Stock Exchange

LONDON, October 18. (Reuter): Iron and steel shares continued in demand in London Stock Exchange today. The demand, however, was more selective than of late and although sharp rises were recorded, profit-taking caused some slight setbacks.

Other industrials were quietly firm. There was small inquiry for Textiles, Rayons and electrical equipments with most of the leaders recording gains of a few pence.

Recent buying of cable wireless ordinary stock continued today. This is prompted by hopes of high break-up value and a rise of several points was shown.

British Government stock spent a quiet day. Long-dated issued turned easier with market dealers discussing the possibility of the issue of a new loan to cover Government's electricity programme.

Foreign Bonds and rails were also quiet but among the latter some of Leopoldina issues were well supported.

Small trading in oils produced an occasional firmness.

Features of the Mining sections were sharp fluctuations in Trepca mines. Price fell from six and nine to four and nine but recovered to five and nine.

The reason was a report and subsequent denial that the Anglo-Yugoslav trade talks had broken down.

Kaffirs were slightly irregular.

HIGH COMMISSIONERS TO BE RANKED WITH AMBASSADORS

Possible Outcome Of Dominion Prime Ministers' Conference

LONDON October 18 (Reuter): Dominion statesmen today began the second week of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference at Number 10 Downing Street with an examination of the machinery for consultation and exchange of information between members of the Common-wealth a subject embracing the status of High Commissioners.

The Prime Ministers and the diplomatic brains of Whitehall will welcome a new title to replace that of High Commissioner for the representatives of member nations in the Commonwealth.

A possible outcome of the Commonwealth talks is that all High Commissioners will have their status raised so that they rank with Ambassadors and have similar precedence and privileges. A High Commissioner has hitherto ranked officially below even a junior envoy of a foreign country and that is regarded as unsatisfactory.

Another result of the Commonwealth talks may be that young civil servants from Commonwealth countries will come to Whitehall for a period of training.

Lord Chancellor Jowitt—head of the British legal system—was there—doubtless in an advisory capacity. In addition to the Common-wealth chiefs, several British Ministers attended the Conference.

Among them were Mr. Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, Mr. A. V. Alexander, Minister of Defence and Mr. Hugh Dalton, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

Bombay's First Step To Meet Housing Shortage

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this, Government had attempted to strike a proper balance. Sufficient latitude had been given to the Board in regard to its day-to-day functions and yet care had been taken to see that public funds were utilised properly and not frittered away. Naturally the element of Government control would have to be increased in proportion to the amount of public funds involved. There was certainly no question of Government's intervention in the affairs of the Board at each step but all building programmes would have to come up before Government.

Objection had also been taken to the fact that the Bill had not laid down the qualifications required for the membership of the Board. The Minister gave an assurance that only man well qualified for the work would be appointed on the Board. As this involved knowledge on a variety of subjects such as engineering, architecture and economics it was not possible to lay down any single qualification. One member has suggested that this might lead to intrigue and wirepulling and that some members would be appointed merely on the ground of their influence. If Government integrity was questioned he did not think he need answer it. All that he could say was that they had the interests of the people at heart and that they would select only the best men.

PROVISION FOR FUNDS

As regards the criticism that no stable provision for funds had been made to the Board the Minister said that Government was keen on seeing that the Board was not hampered for lack of finances and if necessary would agree to its raising of loans guaranteed by Government. What they could not do however, was to commit the legislature in advance. He had in view when he first thought of this Board to make a provision for a levy on employers to assist the Housing programme. But this was a matter where it was better to follow a uniform policy throughout the country and it was left to the Central Government to prepare a scheme to give effect to this idea. In the Tripartite Industrial Truce resolution it had been agreed by employers to pay such a levy and the Provincial Government expected that the Government of India would soon take steps to implement that scheme. Besides the Central Government was expected to contribute its own share and a continuous flow of money from these two sources and whatever provincial Government might contribute would be available for the work of the Board.

BAN ON EXCOMMUNICATION

Introducing the Bill to Prohibit Excommunication in the Province of Bombay, Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier, said that excommunication was a thing devoid of natural justice.

Referring to the Bohra community in particular, the Premier said that the Mullaji Sahib, claiming vast hereditary rights, could excommunicate his followers for even refusing to grow a beard! The Premier said that he had heard of one instance wherein a man could not get a wife in marriage as he refused to grow a beard. It was a choice between a shaven face or a wife.

Continuing, Mr. Kher said, that this system of excommunication was abhorrent to all educated persons. Government wanted to interfere as little as possible with the social and personal life of individual or groups, who had formulated a code of conduct and submitted to it. There was a time when among advanced communities, among Hindus, persons were excommunicated for going overseas or even for drinking tea with a European missionary. But fortunately the practice got atrophied by more and more enlightened men in the community defying it. It was a matter in which Government had to step in. For tyranny of excommunication could create mental distress and agony to those who became victims of it. Since the bulk of the persons in these communities being without the sturdiness to defy it, suffered most terribly in their social lives and relationships with other members of the community.

Referring to the penal provisions of the Bill—a fine of Rs. 1,000, the Premier said: "What is a thousand rupee fine to those who can collect thousands for a marriage or some simple ceremony?

The Bill was circulated for eliciting public opinion after it was read for the first time.

Baldev Singh's Message On Gurkha Week

NEW DELHI, Oct 18 (UPI): In a special message on the occasion of the celebrations of the 'Gurkha Week' inaugurated at Dehra Dun this morning the Defence Minister, Sardar Baldev Singh, paid glowing tributes to the gallantry and achievements of Gurkhas in the Indian Army.

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SECURITY COUNCIL SESSION

PARIS, Oct. 18 (Reuter).—The United Nations Security Council will meet in Emergency Session at 9-30 G.M.T. (3 p.m. I.S.T. tomorrow). The Council will consider the "serious situation" created by the resumption of fighting in the Negev area of southern Palestine.

PATERSON KNOCKS OUT DANNY O'SULLIVAN

LONDON, Oct. 18 (Reuter).—At the Royal Albert Hall tonight Jackie Paterson, the Empire and British Bantamweight Champion, knocked out Danny Osullivan, a contender for Championship honours, in the seventh round of an eight rounds contest.

EXPLOSIONS ROCK BERLIN

BERLIN, Oct. 18. U.P.I.): A series of loud explosions rocked the Western Sectors in Berlin this morning. Windows rattled and in Zehlendorf district ruined walls collapsed. No explanation has yet been given, but it is thought that the explosions were caused by Russians carrying out artillery practice in the air corridor. No incidents effecting the air-lift planes have been reported.

NEHRU LUNCHES WITH BEVIN

LONDON, Oct. 18. (Reuter): Prime Minister Nehru of India was thought to have touched on many aspects of India's foreign relations today when he lunched with Mr. Ernest Bevin at the British Foreign Secretary's residence.

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IN VIEW of the revised Food Policy of Government and the introduction of monopoly procurement, the concession of importing rationed articles from non-rationed areas against the cancellation of coupons given to the cardholders of the rationed area of Greater Bombay is withdrawn. Consequently, applications for importing rationed articles, except by land-owners for importing the produce of their own land, will not be accepted in the Ward Rationing Offices but cardholders, who have already applied for import permits before the 17th October, 1948, will be given their permits.

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SK. KARSONBHAI NABIBHAI was convicted for transporting cotton without a permit and sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 600 or in default to undergo 6 months' rigorous imprisonment.

FANMAL BHURAJ and SAWALCHAND KAPURCHAND were convicted for exporting cloth without permit and each sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and to pay fines of Rs. 400 or in default to undergo four months' rigorous imprisonment.

SANTOK MANSING was convicted for possessing Bajri in excess of the possession-limit without a licence and sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 100 or in default to undergo one month's rigorous imprisonment.

ABDUL AZIZ and ABDUL MAJID were convicted for attempting to transport cloth without permits and each sentenced to one month's rigorous imprisonment. For similar offence TULSIDAS KANHAYALAL was convicted and sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 300 or in default to undergo two months' simple imprisonment.

Eire To Scrap External Relations Act With Britain

DECISION UNLIKELY TO AFFECT POSITION OF NATIONALS ABOARD

'M.G.'s' Plea To Persuade Country To Remain In Commonwealth

DUBLIN, Oct. 18 (Reuter): Eire's decision to scrap her External Relations Act, with Britain—a move discussed by Commonwealth statesmen at Chequers, the British Premiers country residence yesterday—will in no way affect the position of Irish people in Britain or the dominions, authoritative quarters said here They said that the Irish citizenship act of 1935 confers full reciprocity in respect of citizenship with Britain.

Mr. Sean McBride, Eire's Minister for External Affairs, said on his return here from the meeting that the conference revealed a desire by the Commonwealth representatives to examine constructively Eire's decision.

Observers were unanimous that Eire's decision would not be altered by the conference.

A Government spokesman stated: "there is no reason why our present trade and citizenship rights should be altered. If the British want to continue the factual relationship that exists now, we shall be happy to continue it.

"If they do not want to do so, it is they themselves who will lose They gain far more preferences from the present arrangement than we do".

Observers noted that India, Pakistan, South Africa and Ceylon were absent from the talks and indicated that an Eire Minister may soon seek to meet delegates from those countries to discuss matters of common concern.

G. B. S. REMARKS

Mr. George Bernard Shaw in a comment printed in the "News Chronicle" today said "I can't see that it's a matter of great importance if Eire does break away completely, although I am unaware of all the latest facts.

Mr. Shaw—born in Dublin 92 years ago—added "Irishmen have always been foreigners in England. I am still a foreigner here after all these years. "I shall always be a foreigner here, whether I have to register as an alien or not, because I am one of the few people here who think objectively. Englishmen are incapable of objectivity.

"I don't think the repealing of the act would really make an atom of difference. Irishmen will continue to flock to England because they are able to use their brains over here.

"But I will write you an article for a thousand pounds showing the whole position in its proper light."

M. G.'s COMMENT

The liberal "Manchester Guardian" said today: "If Eire breaks, we should see no reason for pretending that she is not as much a foreign country as Albania or Bolivia" But if it is possible to evolve a Commonwealth (whether we give it that name or not) that can include South Africa and India, as well as Canada, New Zealand and Australia, it should not be beyond the ready ingenuity of Irishmen to be in it as well. India's independence was a far greater political achievement than Eire's. If India can be persuaded to remain in association with Britain and the other dominions Eire may also find the way, of accommodation, and yet have her nationalist 'amour propre' satisfied."

Constitutional lawyers in Britain and Eire were today trying to find means by which Eire can maintain her Commonwealth association in spite of her declared intention to repeal the External Relations Act maintained for the past 12 years.

The prospects of working out a formula at this stage, however, appear slight.

EXCHANGE OF IDEAS

No further meeting between Mr. MacBridge, Eire's Minister of External Relations, and Commonwealth statesmen has been arranged. But an exchange of ideas is likely to follow yesterday's meeting at Chequers at which British, Australian, Canadian and New Zealand chiefs explained to representatives from Eire some of the complications and embarrassments that will result from a severance of Eire's link with the Crown.

Mr. Patrick McGilligan, Finance Minister of Eire, who took part in the Chequers Conference, said today that Eire was expected to repeal the External Relations Act as soon as the Dail reassembled in the middle of November.

NEHRU'S INTEREST

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime Minister of India is believed to be particularly interested in Eire's position in relation to the British Commonwealth.

Finance Ministers Of Brussels Pact Meet

PARIS, Oct. 17 (Reuter)—The Finance Ministers of Britain, France and the Benelux countries held top-secret talks here today on the financial problems involved in defence measures taken by the five countries under the Brussels Pact.

All reporters were asked to leave the Ministry of Finance while the Ministers met, and the Communique which was issued afterwards was merely a formal announcement that they had discussed economic and financial co-operation

The Communique said: "They have given preliminary consideration to the problems following the recent meeting of the Defence Ministers of the Five Powers and they have made suggestions concerning procedure which will me submitted to the Consultative Council in the course of its next meeting on October 25.

10,000 U. S. Personnel For Berlin Airlift

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17, (Reuter): The United States Air Force today urgently appealed for the immediate reenlistment of 10,000 of its former pilots, navigators and mechanics to serve in Britain and Western Europe in B-529 Superfortresses and on Berlin airlift operations.

General Eisenhower's Story Of War

NEW YORK (UPA) — General Dwight D. Eisenhower's story of the war, "Crusade in Europe", will be published in book form on November 22, Doubleday and Company announced.

Doubleday said publication of the 576-page Eisenhower memoirs would be "the largest non-fiction book publishing venture in history" and it was expected that 1,500,000 copies of the book would be in print by early 1949.

Doubleday said Eisenhower would answer such controversial questions of the war as The Battle of the Bulge, the Patton incidents and "the real story of our 'deal' with Darlan."

Minister of India, by the Royal Societyption given to Pandit Nehru, Prime Nehru and Sir Stafford Cripps enjoying at Burlington House. Picture shows Pt. Sir Stafford Cripps attended the rece a joke at the reception.

Nehru To Meet Asian Ministers Again

PARIS, Oct. 18. It transpires that the reception given last night to Asian Foreign Ministers by Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, leader of the Indian delegation to the United Nations, was an event of considerable importance which is likely to be followed by further gatherings of the kind when Pt. Nehru returns to Paris in about a week's time, cables Reuter's special correspondent.

The Indian Prime Minister, it is believed, will talk over with the Asian Foreign Ministers the question of a second session of the Asian Conference which first met at New Delhi in 1947.

The second session is to take place in China next spring, subject to the consent of the Chinese Government

COMMONWEALTH MEMBERSHIP

Meantime, Prime Minister Pt. Nehru, before flying back to London from Paris last night, is understood to have asked Sir Narsing Rau, of the Indian delegation to the United Nations, to go to London later this week presumably to advise him on any constitutional points that may arise in connection with the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference.

At some future date, the Indian constituent assembly will decide for or against continuation of India's present form of association with the Commonwealth.

The subject, believed unlikely to figure in the plenary sessions of the Prime Ministers' Conference in London, has already been raised by individual Commonwealth statesmen, notably those of Australia and New Zealand. They are anxious to see some formula devised that would enable India—consistent with her national aspirations—to continue co-operation with the Commonwealth.

9 MUSLIMS ARRESTED IN HUSANABAD

MONGHYR, Oct. 16, (A. P. I.): Nine Muslims of Husanabad in Sheikhpura district were arrested and kept under detention for a fortnight under the Bihar Public Safety Act, for taking part in the slaughter of a cow in an open lane.

'Reds'' Anti-Recruiting Campaign In Britain

CALL TO MEMBERS TO SLOW DOWN ENLISTMENT IN TERRITORIAL ARMY

LONDON, Oct. 17 (Reuter)—London chiefs of the British Communist Party have instructed their branches throughout Britain to do all in their power to slow down the Government's intense recruiting drive for the Territorial Army, a Communist spokesman said this week.

Every one of the 43,000 members of the party had been asked to do his bit in making the drive as big a failure as possible.

Despite arrests already made when Communists demonstrated at recruiting meetings in London, the party says it is detemined to carry on the demonstrations wherever possible.

THEY HELP ENLISTMENT!

So far, according to London Territorial Associations, the Communist counter-campaign has had little effect if any on the recruiting drive—which aims at bringing Territorial strength up to 150,000 by the end of next March.

Men and women have been enlisting during the past week in larger numbers than at any time since 1939. In one area as many signed on in four days as normally join in a month.

An official of one Territorial Association has expressed the view that so far from "sabotaging" the the recruiting campaign Communist demonstrations had encouraged it. The demonstrations at most meetings had shown clearly that the Communists had few sympathisers, he said.

Communists leaflets most widely distributed at the recruiting meetings bears the picture of an atom bomb explosion.

Another slogan is: 'No war for American dollars".

The most spectacular exploit yet, took place at the top of the Monument, 200-foot high stone colunmn rising in the heart of London's business centre. While a recruiting meeting was going on nearby, Communists ran up the 311 steps and appeared on the high balcony with a huge banner reading "no war for the Yankee dollars."

REDS GET IT

Interruptions at meetings in Britain have not been one-sided recently. In the past three or four months Communist speakers have had a rough time

At one Provincial Communist meeting two speakers were pulled down and their platform smashed. At another the local Communist Secretary was pelted with tomatoes and he and his colleagues were chased by a crowd armed with horsewhips and water-pistols. They had to seek protection at the police station.

BOMBAY, Oct. 18 (API).—Ceylon's Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, Dr. Walter G. Wickremesinghe, who is now in Bombay, said in an interview that his Government intended to engage temporarily a team of European health specialists to advise them in carrying out their health programme.

MODERN "NOAH'S ARK"

LOS ANGELES (UPA).—A modern 'Noah's Ark" will arrive here when the SS "President Tyler" brings into port a cargo of live jungle animals and tropical fish.

American President Line officials said their SS "President Tyler" was carrying 45,000 tropical fish, six full grown leopards, three black panthers, 20 monkeys, one baby leopard and 10 deadly black cobras.

Loaded at Singapore, the animals were to go to Trader Horn's World Jungle Compound at Thousand Oaks, California, and the fish to the Tropical Fish Company, Oakland, California.

Gandhi Murder Trial Postponed To Oct 20

RED FORT NEW DELHI, Oct. 18 (UPI): The Special Court trying the Mahatma Gandhi's Murder Case, which resumed its hearing today after the Dussehra holidays was adjourned provisionally till October 20, 1948. Earlier, Mr. Nagarwala, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Bombay and the Chief Investigating Officer of the Case, had signed his deposition before the Court.

It is understood that the Court has been adjourned on account of the fact that the Special Judge, Mr. Atma Charan, had to leave for his home to see his ailing father who is reported to be in a serious condition. The judge requested the defence to find out from Mr. Daphtary, the Chief Prosecution Counsel, if the Court could sit on October 20, as it might not to be possible for him (Mr. Atma Charan) to return to Delhi in time to resume the hearing of the case on October 20.

OVERSTAYED IN INDIA

BOMBAY, Monday: Fida Hussain Rasulji, a citizen of Western Pakistan, was ordered to pay a fine Rs. 25 in the Esplanade Court this morning, where police charged him with having overstayed the time-limit stipulated in the permit issued to him by the Indian High Commissioner for his stay in Bombay.

CALL TO INDIAN GOVERNMENT TO DO THEIR UTMOST TO FIGHT INFLATION

Chinese Ambassador On How Nanking Is Tackling Problem

NEW DELHI, Oct. 17 (UPI): "Inflation is like a queer monster hiding at first in the shadow and haunting every branch of human society with stealthy steps, and, when this monster has become confident of its diabolic power and sure of the unfailing support from its nephistophelian friends, it stalks everywhere, showing its most hideous face, and devours everybody, sucking his blood and marrow." thus observed Dr. Chialuen Lo the Chinese Ambassador speaking at the constitution club this evening.

Dr. Lo was the chief guest at the social gathering of the Delhi Cosmopolitan Club. Recounting his personal experiences the Chinese Ambassador said that he had been through two very grave inflations: One in Germany after the first World War and one in China after the second World War. In Germany then, one U.S. dollar was equal to 1,000,000,000,000 marks. In China until two months ago, one U. S. dollar was nearly equal to 12,000,000 Chinese dollars.

Referring to the inflation in China, particularly he said form factors contributed to the malady. They were, the eight years of defensive war against Japanese aggression depleted China's financial resources to a very serious extent. Secondly, the Japanese blockade prevented all necessary imports, thereby increasing the prices of limited supplies. Thirdly, the victory was followed by a period of spending on the part of the people who wanted to relax and satisfy themselves with necessaries and long-missed laxuries. Fourthly, the Communist rebellion, which is still going on, has not only caused the Government to spend a lot in military operations but also prevented commercial and industrial development and rural rehabilitation.

NANKING MEASCRES

Admitting that inflation caused a great deal of hardship to the people and a such it required to be fought by Government to remove social restlessness, the Chinese Ambassador enumerated some of the deflationary measures adopted by the Chinese Government calculated to stablise prices.

"It can be seen that China's reform has definitely met with considerable initial success. The success is evidenced by the lowing and stabilization of commodity prices especially in Shanghai and Nanking and by the enthusiasm with which the general public have surrendered the gold silver coins, and foreign currencies in exchange for gold yuan notes.

The swift transfer of all such noldings by banks and firms is another achievement greater than expected and an additional proof of the restored confidence of the people in the Government and their determination to co-operate with the authorities This result is due to the impartial application of law and the stern and relentless drive against profiteers and black market operators many of whom have been arrested and some of whom serverely punished Even influencial men among Shanghai financial and business circles have been brought to book", he pointed out.

He hoped that the Government of India would also do everything possible to bring down the runaway prices to normal level very soon.

Mr. Santhanam, Minister of State for Railways and Mr. N. V Gadgil, were present amongst the distinguished persons present for the function

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BOMBAY Stock Exchange

Improvement In Steels And Textiles On Moderate Buying

BOMBAY, Oct. 18

The Bombay Stock Exchange was moderately active to-day with increased buying. Tata steel deferred shares recorded a increase of Rs. 20 on increased buying. Textile section was steady with little fluctuations.

Tata Steel Defd. shares opened Rs. 14 higher at Rs. 1500 today and steadily advanced to Rs. 1511 14 on short covering and increased buying. At this level some profittaking came in and Defds. declined to Rs. 1507 8 and again improved at Rs 1512.8 on scattered buying. Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 293 and improved at Rs. 294 8 on scattered buying and thereafter fluctuated between Rs 293 and Rs. 294 8 and steadied at this level. Bengal Steel found buyers at Rs. 21 while Indian Irons were done at Rs. 25 3 after opening at Rs. 25.1. Tata Steel 2nd Pref Shares were quoted at Rs. 141/8.

Textile section was steady with Bombay Dyeing improved at Rs. 1036 4 after opening at Rs. 1032 8 on scattered short covering, while Central India's were done at Rs. 284. Finlays declined to Rs. 289 8 after opening at Rs 291, while Gokaks changed hands at Rs. 296. Indore Malwas were quoted at Rs. 211 4 while Kohinoor Shares were steady at Rs 293. Mayer Mill Shares came in business at Rs 143 12 while New Greats were placed at Rs. 172. Simplex Shares were done at Rs. 191 while Swadeshis after opening at Rs. 308 improved at Rs. 309 8 and quietened at Rs. 308/8.

Among Banks Central Bank Shares opened at Rs. 89 and declined to Rs. 88 8 on scattered selling. Imperials fully paid were placed at Rs 1857 8 while Reserve Bank Shares were quiet at Rs. 112/12. India Bank Shares came in business at Rs. 200 while United Commercials were quoted at Rs. 66 8.

In the miscellaneous section Associated Cements after opening at Rs. 156 improved at Rs. 157 and steadied at Rs. 156/8. Belapurs opened at Rs. 250 and improved to Rs. 253 on scattered buying and quietened at Rs. 252, while Bombay Burmas were done at Rs. 378/12. Premier constructions were steady at Rs. 193 while Scindia Shares changed hands often at Rs. 24 7. Tata Chemicals were quoted at Rs. 14 8 while oils were placed at Rs. 58/4. Tata Hydros were done at Rs. 160 while Power Shares were quoted at Rs. 1660. Wimco Shares were placed at Rs. 301/4.

Among securities 3 per cent 1986 Government loans were steady at Rs. 99 14.

Towards the close there was good demand in Andhra and Tata Power shares and improved to Rs. 1.640 and 1.685 respectively. Textiles in sympathy with steels recorded some improvement.

FORWARD SECTION

Bombay Dyeing (12-8)	1035 0
Kohinoor Mills (6-12)	293 0
Swadeshi Mills (22)	308 0
Central India Mills (4)	284 0
Simplex Mills	190 0
New Geat Eastern (10)	172 0
Gokak Mills (9 plus 3)	297 0
Indore Malwa (12s XR	213 12
Century Spinning (15) XD	531 4
Colaba Land and Mills (12)	163 12
Indian Bleaching (6)	171 0
Swan Mills (20)	345 0
Finlay Mills (15)	290 0
Morarji Goculdas	450 0
Friwards Sassoon (30)	507 8
Meyer	145 0
Apollo Mills (As 4)	3-0-6
India United Defd (0-2-6)	12 4
India United Ord. (0-2-6)	1 14
Madhusudan Mills (15)	233 12
Podar (8)	166 4
Khatau Makanji (8)	256 4
STEEL SHARES	
Tata Steel Ord (14)	294 0
Tata Steel Defd. (64-14-1)	1507 8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (7-8)	141 8
CEMENT	
Associated Cement (5)	155 8
INDUSTRIES	
Burma (12-8)	378 2
Belapur Sugar (12) XR	252 0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	34 8
Scindia Steam (1-4)	24 7
Premier Construction	193 0
Tata Chemical	14 8
Tata Oil (2) XD	58 8
Indian Iron (0-6)	25 2
Bengal Steel (08)	21 0
Belapur Coupon	64 0
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Tata Hydro (4-8)	160 0
Andhra Valley (45)	1540 0
Tata Power (50)	1685 0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS	
Elphinstone Mills (5)	74 8
Phoenix Mills (50)	481 4
Indian Manufacturing	4250 0
Kooria Mills (5) XR	148 12
Dawn Mills (40)	1000 0
David Mills (6)	191 4
New City Mills (10)	198 8
Minerva Mills (12)	165 0
Bradbury Mills (12)	700 0
Bharucha Defd. (0-4)	5 8
Bharat Mills (2) XD.	38 4
Mysore Spg Mills	192 8
Madhavji Dharamsi (0-12)	15 ..
Model Mills (12-8)	220 10
Laksmi Cotton (25)	680
Vishnu Cotton (6) XD.	272 8
Western India (40)	3950 0
Standard Mills (15)	580 0
Sholapur Mills (200)	3900 0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	12 0
Hindustan Mills (40)	4185 0
Tata Mills (3)	68 8
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	296 4
Ahmedabad Advance New	195 0
Sassoon Silk (3)	91 0
New Union Mills (0-8)	16 8
Madhusudan B (2-8)	47 0
Shrinivas Mills	187 8
Raja Bahadur Poona (4)	100 0
Berar Mills	275 0
Victoria Mills	225 0
Colaba Land Coupon	42 0
New Great New	142 0
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Ahmedabad Electric (3-8) XD	120 10
Ahmedabad New	13 8
Surat Electricity (2-8)	147 8
Surat New	142 8
Karachi Electric Supply (2)	138 12
Broach (0-5)	10 12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10 12
Amalgamated (0-12)	13 6
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	26 8
Poona Electric Supply	151 4
Bombay Suburban (3)	150 0
Bombay Suburban New	131 4
BANK SHARES	
Reserve Bank (2-12)	112 12
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1890 0
Imperial Bank of India (8-12)	467 8
Central Bank Old (1-8) XD	88 12
Central Bank New	89 0
Bank of India (4)	200 0
Union Bank of India	9 3 0
Bank of Baroda (2-8) XD	156 8
Hindu Bank (4)	159 8
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	52 0
United Commercial (1-8)	67 0
Jaipur Bank (1/6)	48 0
Hindustan Commercial	28 8
Mysore Bank (8)	365 0
Exchange Bank	87 8
Eastern Bank	105 0
INSURANCE	
Oriental (125)	5000 0
Empire (10)	675 0
New India (1-4)	64 12
Jupiter	25 8
Vulcan (0-10) XD	12 8
Indian Mercantile (2)	41 0
Universal (0-4)	11 4
B.I.G (1)	22 12
Industrial and Prudential)	29 8
Neptune Assurance	7 0
New Great	25 0
All India General	19 8
RAILWAY SHARES	
Central Provinces (1-4)	107 8
Mymensingh Guaranteed (1-4)	103 12
Pachora Jamner Rly. (2-8)	118 0
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES	
Alcock Ashdown (15)	347 8
Bombay Steamer (28)	592 8
Bombay Burma New (5)	138 12
British Burma Petrol	1 13 0
Mackenzie (6)	90 0
Port Canning (6)	73 8
Kemp and Co (New)	462 8
Kemp and Co (30)	475 0
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	150 0
Industrial Invest Trust (4)	97 0
Western India Match (7-8)	301 4
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	34 8
Mukund Iron	10 0
Dena Trust (0-12)	21 0
Alembic Chemical (15) XR.	205 8
Supreme India	123 12
Jam Wire (6)	73 0
Bombay Uganda	69 1
Bombay Motor Cycle	42 0
Indian Cement	25 0
Walchand Nagar Industries	181 4
United Motor	74 0
Associated Cement New (1-4)	97 4
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	1002 8
Hydary Construction	19 8
Mahmadi Steam	95 0
Gujarat Motor	25 2
Sardar Carbonic	750 0
Harvey Press	310 0
Estrela Batteries	51 0
Prince of Wales Press	610 0
Manmad Press	120 0
PREFERENCE SHARES	
Tata Steel 1st (6)	196 4
Andhra Valley (7)	1290 0
Tata Power (7-8)	1382 8
Hydro Electric (7) X.D.	128 0
Bombay Steamer (6)	313 12
Central India (5)	650 0
Swadeshi Mills	146 4
Vishnu Mills (7)	666 4
Laksmi Mills	277 8
New Great Mills (5-8)	322 8
Podar Mills (4)	105 0
Shrinivas Mills	98 0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	111 14
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	379 6
Surat Electricity (3-4)	140 0
Premier Construction 1st (6 1/4)	120 0
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	118 12
Amalgamated (5-8)	122 2
Habib	72 0
Tata Chemical (5)	133 12
Walchand Nagar Indus (7)	160 0
Jupiter General	19 14
Supreme	100 0
Meyer	121 0
Mackenzie 1st	85 0
Mackenzie 2nd	80 0
Ahmedabad Advance	132 8
Mysore Mills	50 0
Standard Mills	101 0
Madhusudan Mills	12 0
Khatau Mills	107 0
DEBENTURES	
Andhra 1952 (4)	103 8
Bombay Steamer (1959) (4-8)	107 0
Indian Hume Pipe (6)	106 0
Tata Power 1951	103 0
Walchand Nagar (6)	112 0
OUTSIDE SHARES	
Indian Copper (2-7) XD	2 7
British India Corp. (0-10)	7-15-6
Burma Corporation	3 1 0
New Victoria Mill	3 12
Phalton Sugar (8)	132 0
Gold Mohur (20)	320 0
New Kaiser-i-Hind	420 0
Sajjan Mills (3)	235 0
Osmanshahi Mills (10)	305 0
Azam Jahi Mills (10)	335 0
Air Service	10 2
Ambica Air Lines	12 8
Air India XD	135 0
Hind Motor	6 1 6
India Steam	10 13

THE INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE LTD.

BOMBAY, Oct. 18.

Closing quotations at 2-30 p.m.:— Tata Ordinary 294; Tata Deferred 1507/8; Indian Iron 25/2; Steel Corpn. or Bengal 21; Bombay Dyeing 1035; Central India 284/6 Gokak 297/8; Kohinoor 293/2; Simplex 190; Swadeshi 308 12; Tata Power 1685, Associated Cement 156/8; Belapur 252/8; Bombay Burma (Old) 378 12; Scindia 24/7; Central Bank 88/12; New India 65; Tata 2nd Pref. 141/8.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Oct. 18.

The local produce market was active today with routine business. Prices recorded small improvement on scattered buying.

At the opening castorseeds May delivery was quoted at Rs. 129-12 and declined to Rs. 129-10 on scattered selling. At this level short-covering and scattered buying appeared and May delivery steadily advanced at Rs. 130-2. At this high level some operators were attracted and scattered profit taking came in and the market came down to Rs. 129-14. Later on there was scattered selling and May delivery declined to Rs. 129-8.

Groundnuts and linseed were also fairly active and improved on scattered buying and good demand. There was good demand in Ready Groundnuts and prices firmed up. Quotations were as under:

GROUNDNUTS—	
Khandesh quality	36 4 0
Coromandal	34 12 0
Bold ready	35 4 0
Bold December-January	31 0 0
CASTORSEEDS—	
Ready	29 8 0
May delivery	129 9 0
LINSEEDS—	
Ready	27 3 0
Nov.-Dec. delivery	27 5 0
February-March	26 11 0
GROUNDNUT OILS—	
Ready receipts	19 12 0
October	19 8 0
December	18 12 0
Linseed Oil	16 8 0
Castorseed Oil first pressing	19 0 0
Castorseed Oil Commercial quality	17 8 0
Gingelly	225 to 230

Cotton Market Closed

Bombay, Oct. 18

The local cotton market was officially closed to-day as a mark of respect to the memory of the death of a member. February was nominally quoted at Rs. 590.

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Bombay, Oct. 18

Indian Cotton February contract is 821 cents below New York March at exchange rate 332.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

Alexandria market was closed on 16th October.

Sugar Prices

BOMBAY, Oct. 18.

	Rs. as. p.
Big	111 0 0
Medium	107 0 0
Small	102 0 0
October	35 14 0
January	31 7 0
March	30 15 0
Sugar Imported	7215 bags.
Sugar Exported	7500 bags.

Pepper Market

BOMBAY, Oct. 18.

Magshar	Rs. 205—207
Maha	Rs. 200—202

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, Oct. 18.

2 1/4 per cent 1964	98 14
2 1/4 per cent 1950	100 15
2 1/2 per cent 1955	100 0
2 1/2 per cent 1961	97 10
2 3/4 per cent 1960	100 1
2 3/4 per cent 1962	100 2
2 3/4 per cent 1976	93 14
3 per cent Non-Terminable	99 12
3 per cent 1986 Con.	99 14
3 per cent 1949-52	100 14
3 per cent 1951-54	102 9
3 per cent 1953-55	102 12
3 per cent 1957	102 5
3 per cent 1959-61	101 14
3 per cent 1963-65	101 2
3 per cent 1966-68	100 8
3 per cent 1970-75	100 8
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	105 9
4 per cent 1948-53	100 12
4 per cent 1960-70	110 12
4 1/2 per cent 1960-65	104 8
4 1/2 per cent 1965-60	112 2
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68	115 12
PROVINCIAL LOANS	
2 3/4 per cent U. P. 1961	98 4
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	98 4
3 per cent Punjab 1949	98 14
3 per cent Bombay 1955	101 10
3 per cent Bombay 1958	101 12
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100 6
3 per cent U. P. 1952	100 6
3 per cent C. P. 1952	100 6
3 per cent N. W. F. 1952	99 10
3 per cent U. P. 1961-66	100 2
4 per cent Bombay Municipality D.	111 0
5 per cent Bom. Muni. 1959	115 0
6 per cent Bom. Muni. 1954	116 0
3-1/4 per cent Municipality 1977	101 14
6 E. P. T.	114 0

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Oct. 18

The local Bullion market was moderately steady to-day. There were offerings by some professional operators, but as there was no support from bull operators prices recorded some decline.

Forward Silver opened at Rs. 174-4 and steadily declined to Rs. 173-10 on heavy liquidation by some interested parties, and Silver steadied at Rs 173-13, while Ready Silver was quoted at a premium of Rs. 1-8 at Rs. 175-5.

Forward Gold at the opening, was quoted at Rs. 114-4 and came down to Rs. 113-14 on selling pressure by some operators. Ready Gold was done at Rs. 114-11. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 75-8. Later on there was renewed bumping and short covering and forward silver improved to Rs. 174-6-0 and steadied around Rs. 174/2. Final quotation were as under:

Forward Silver	174 2 0
Ready Silver	174 8 0
Ford Gold	113 12 0
Ready Gold	114 8 0
Sovereign	75 8 0

Italian Art Silk

BOMMBAW, Oct. 18

	Rs. as. p.
150 D. Oct.	3 4 9
150 D. Nov.	3 4 6
120 D. Ready	3 4 0
150 D. Ready	3 4 6
20/22 YELLOW SILK	
October	26 4 0
November	26 4 0
Ready	26 4 0

Hessian Market

BOMBAY, Oct. 18.

	Pics.
45X11 YDS.	
Ready	116
July-Sept.	116-1/2
Oct.-Dec.	118-1/2
Jan-March	1191/2
W. D. GUNNY BAGS.	
Ready	133 0 0
July-Sept.	128 0 0
Oct.-Dec.	126 0 0

CHEQUES CLEARED

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending the 15-10-48 were as under:

Number of Cheques: 137512.

Amount of cheques: Rs. 36,28,55,532-8.

Madras Share Market

MADRAS, Oct. 18.

On the Madras Market Bank Shares remained steady at quoted levels except Indian banks which improved to Rs. 243/- buyers.

In the Plantings section Tea and Coffee shares continued to be in demand while Rubber shares were steady.

Textiles proved to be a popular counter, especially Madras which improved to Rs. 43/12 buyers.

In the Miscellaneous section Andhra cement "a" put a further five points at Rs. 65/- without affecting any sellers the Market closed steady. Following are today's closing quotations:

SECURITIES:— Govt. of India three per cent 1953/55 02/11 three per cent 1966/68 100/10 Govt. of Travancore three per cent 1952/54 102/14 three per cent Govt. of Madras 1960 101/1.

BANKS:—Reserve 112/- Travancore 19/-

PLANTINGS:—Chembras 5/8 Cochin Malabar 5/4. Nelliampathys 7/7/6 Ouchteriony 6 4 Priakaramalai 24/4 Pullangodes 1/5 Thirumbadi 2/7 T R and T Co. 6/14.

TEXTILES:—Buckinghams 178/- Ditto pref. 196/- Cambodias 9/10 Combatore C M 92/- Lakshmi 67/- Madras 43/12 Metturs 316/- Radhakrishnas 729/- Rajalakshmis 54/- Ranga Vilas 43 8 Trav Rayons 4/8 Trichinopolys 12.

MISCELLANEOUS:—Facts 6/1 Indian Cements 16/6 Mettur Chem 8/12 Mysore Chem Ferts 8/8 Malabar Industrials Loyal text no business.

Calicut Market

CALICUT, Oct. 18.

Cciryarg Beypore 140/150; Quilandy 150/160; Fibre Garbled 110; Ungarbled 100; Coconuts Raw 140/142 Dry 135/138; Cocoanut Oil 560; Copra Office 390; Dilpasand 395; Madrasnottam 400; Pepper Wynaad 1650; Country 1625; Dry Ginger Chernad 450; Ernad 420; Coffee Robusta 180; Timber Pali 60/75; Junglewood 30/45; Vellapnie 60/70; Benteak 50/55; Teak 70/120; Mango 8/12/4/8; Teak 12/8/20; Rosewood 10/18.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY Oct. 18.

MILLS

Ahmedabad Advance 295 96/4
Apollo 3/0/6 3 3/0/6
Bharat 38 38/4
B. Dyeing 1032/8 36/4 33/12 35
C. India 284 86 84
Elphinstone Ord. 74/8
Finlay 291 89/8 90
Gokak 296 97 96 97
I. U. Defd. 1/14 1/13/6 1/14
I. U. Ord. 12/3 12/6 12/4
Indore 211/4 10 13/12
Khatau 256/4
Kohinoor 292/8 93/8 93
Laxmi 680
Meyer 143/12 47/8 45
Model 218/12 20/10
Morarji 450
New Great 172
Podar 166/4
Simplex 190 91 90
Swadeshi 308 9.8 8 9 8
Swan 345
Vishnu 275 72/8

BANKS

Baroda 156/8
Central 89/4 88/4 88/12
Imperial Old 1890 87/8 90
Imperial New 467/8
India 200
Reserve 112/12 12 12/12
Union 9/3
U. Commercial 66/8 67

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 121/4 20/10
Andhra Valley 1540
Suburban 150
Hydro 159/8 60
Hydro Pref. X.D. 128
Power 1660 75 70 85

STEAMER

B. Steam 592/8
Scindia 24/7 24/9 24/7

STEEL

B. Steel 21 21/2 21
I. Iron 25/1 25/4 25/2
Tata Defd. 1500 11/4 7/8 12/8 7/8
Tata Ord 293 94/8 93 94/8 94
Tata IInd Pref 141/8 42 41/8

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 341/4 47/8
A. C. C. Old 156 57 56/4 56/8
A.C.C. New 97 97/4
Belapur 250 53 52
B. B. Old 377/8 76/4 80 78/2
B.B. New 138/12
B.B. Petrol 1/13 1/13/6 1/13
I. Bleaching 170 71
Port Canning 73/8
P. Const. 193 94/8 93 94 93
Tata Chme. 14/6 14/8
Tata Oil 58/4 58/8
Walchandnagar 181/4
Wimco 301/4

SPECIAL

Belapur Coupon 63 64
Central Bank New 89
Ahmedabad Elec. New 13/8
Jost's Engineering 87

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Shipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, Oct 18:

—S.S. AKBAR—

From Port Sudan:—
4009 bales sackle cotton, 100 bags gum talha.

—S.S. SILVER GUAVA—

From Vancover:—
307 cases ballery seperators.

From Portland Oregan—35 bdls newsprint 1199 bags soda ash.

From Los Angeles 235 drums diesel fuel oil, 27 boxes microphone and bails 36 boxes refrigerators equipment 50 bdls cutlivators 300 drums Kerosene, 596 boxes borax 23181 bgs soda ash.

From San Francisco 1548 tons, 592 drums libricating oil.

From Nainital 130 drums scrap copper wire, 306 drums scrap heavy brass

—S.S. PURNEA—

From Honkong:—
170 cases glass, 66 cases woollen p ecegoods; 60 bags brass scraps 263 Cases silk rayan piecegoods: 27 cases sewing needles, 600 bales cassia 139 flakes mercury 35 cases bulbs; 49 cases vaccum flashs and repps; 61 cases torches, 70 cases lanterns.

From Singapore:- 169 bdls leak boards, 1563 pieces timber 7829 bags sagsflour; 1527 bags bettlenuts; 373 bdls rotton; 50 bags damas bates: 70 bags hut megs:

From Penang—,
8342 bags bettlenuts 2950 bags pearl-taken 88 bgls air mattings, 300 bags mattings; 100 bags radiator scrap.

EXPORTS

—GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT—

—S.S. ARONDA—

To Mombassa:-
25 bags corriander seed and 5 bags fuel seed— J. and Co.
15 bags walnuts and 177 bags turmerio—J. Hamchand and Co.
10 bales wolen floor carpets Z. Chatram.

To Zanjibar:-
5 bags turmaris and 5 bags ginger a Merally and Co. 5 bags Coriander seeds—

—S.S. HOUGH SILVER LIGHT—

To Sydney:—
572 bags soapstove bars—T. Podar Trading Co. Ltd.

—S.S. KVERNAAS—

To Rotterdan:-
150 bales cotton waste— E. T. Robertson and Son.

To Gothemburg:-
40 bales cotton waste— Volkart Bros.

To Stockham:—
45 bales cotton waste— Volkart Bros.

To Coppenhagen:-
100 bales cotton waste E. T. Robertson and Son.
15 bales cotton waste M. Narottandas and Co.

S.S. CHASSERAU

To Aden—50 bags turmeric and 200 bags sugar—T. Zhikabhai.

S.S. VIRGINIA MAY

To Karachi—8 cases agarpatty—R. Chatrabhoy, 200 bundles bidi leaves—A. H. Valimahomed, 300 jotta peppermint—A. H. Valimahomed, 70 cases jotta peppermint—Empire Confectionery Works, 50 baskets bidies—C. J. Patel, 15 cases art silk piecegoods—A. H. T. Motiwala, 20 cases art silk piecegoods—M. A. M. Rafik, 20 cases art silk piecegoods—H. S. Oomer and Sons, 15 cases art silk piecegoods—A. S. Gusule, 25 cases recording wax—The Gramophone Co. Ltd., 14 cases confectionary and 12 cases toffee—Y. K. Sawant and Co.

S.S. JAL AZAD

To Liverpool—123 bags gum karaya—D. Mavji and Co., 266 bags gum karaya—N. Mulji and Co., 100 bales cotton waste—L. O. Vora, 100 bales cotton waste—M. Narottamdas and Co., 100 bales cotton waste—C. Rasiklal, 350 bales cotton waste—C. Jairam.

To Rotterdam—50 bales cotton waste—E. T. Robertson and Son, 125 bales cotton waste—C. Rasiklal, 250 bales cotton waste—G. M. Vyas and Co.

To Antwerp—300 bales cotton waste—C. Jairam. 31 bales cotton waste—Volkart Bros.

To London—296 cases bottles—B. P. and Hayley Ltd. 23 cases bottles—K. C. Hanlal, 10 cases bottles—M. Budha Sons, 128 cases bottles—S. Ramsingh. 14 cases bottles—D. B. Mehta and Sons, 12 cases bottles—Hubhilal, 49 cases bottles—Motilal, 20 cases bottles—Z. L. Malchand, 9 cases bottles—C. S. Gangadin and Co. 12 bags gum karaya—S. P. Thos.

S.S. AKBAR

To Jeddah—5 bdls. coir strings—A. A. Kadar, 15 bundles coir strings—A. A. Kadar, 10 cases castor oil, 20 bags dry ginger and 20 bags—C. Rasul and Co. 20 bags dry ginger—S. A. Misor and Co. 40 bales cotton waste fly—F. S. Rasul and Co. 20 cases porcelain cevacup and 8 cases gluglots.

To Aden—15 bales lokeus unmfd.—C. Yashbhai.

S.S. SALVORE

To Genoa—5 bags cotton carpets—Volkart Bros.

S.S. SADUSALAM

To Karachi—90 jottas slate pens—S. N. Marchand.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

BOMBAY, Monday:

Arrivals:- KVERNAAS (Arnt J. Mereland) from Marmagoa on Oct 16 with general cargo 2250 tons. Agents United Lines.

SONAVATO (B.S.N.) from Okha on Oct 17 with general cargo.

ALGOWQUIN (Petroleum Shipping Co) from Abadam on Oct 17 with 10,026 tons oil. Agents Standard Vacuum Oil.

FLYING TRADER (Isbrandtsen) from Yokohama on Oct. 17 with general cargo 7357 tons. Agents Shaw Wallace.

TOULOUSE (W. Wilheminson) from Cochin on Oct. 17 with general cargo 7357 tons. Agents United Lines.

WAVE MONAR H (Admiralty London from Chairness on Oct 17 Agents Anglo-Iranian Oil.

TANCA (B.I.S.N.) from Durban on Oct. 18 with general cargo 2200 tons. Agents M.M.

TRILAND (Triston Shipping Co.) from Scattle on Act. 18 with wheat 9000 tons. Agents M.M.

MARIA DE LARRIANA (Larrinaga Shipping Co) from Port Okha on Oct. 18 Agents Turner Morrison.

JAFARA (Royal Ratterdam Lloyd) from Vancouver on Oct. 18 with general cargo. Agents Volkart Bros.

Departures:

RAILA ,Hagb Waage-Osle) to Abadam on Oct. 16

FIROZA (East and West Steamship Co.) to Calcutta on Oct. 16 with general cargo 5000 tons.

ABHEKIRK (V. S. N. The Hague) to Brisbane on Oct 16 with general cargo and 25 passengers.

BHARRAT BALA (Bharat) from Porbunder on Oct. 16 with general cargo 480 tons.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

The following is the Statement of the affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 8th Octobre, 1948:—

LIABILITIES.

	Rs.
CAPITAL:—	5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund	6,25,00,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	287,08,05,000
Sundries	1,37,27,000
Total Rs.	300,32,82,000

ASSETS.

	Rs.
INVESTMENTS:—	
Government Securities	161,69,66,000
Other Authorised Investments	10,94,06,000
ADVANCES:—	
Loans	19,45,91,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	52,17,05,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased	2,23,76,000
Dead Stock	1,55,40,000
Sundries	1,54,36,000
CASH:—	
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	44,27,84,000
Balances with other Banks	6,44,78,000
Total Rs.	300,32,82,000

Position Of Scheduled Banks

The following is the statement of the position of scheduled Banks as at the close of business on the 8th October 1948.

1 Demand Liabilities in India	
(i) Borrowings from banks	Rs. 21,42,53,000
(ii) Other demand liabilities	649,79,19,000
2. Time Liabilities in India	
(i) Borrowings from banks	58,13,000
(ii) Other time liabilities	302,59,63,000
3. Cash in India:	
(i) Currency notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes	33,10,34,000
(ii) Rupee Coin	2,01,78,000
(iii) Subsidiary Coin.	73,74,000
4. Balances with Reserve Bank	74,05,89,000
5. Advances in India	396,02,61,000
6. Bills discounted in India	13,43,10,000

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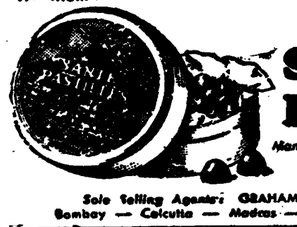

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India Plays Mediator's Role At Paris

PLEA FOR RESUMPTION OF WORK BY ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

America Opposes B. N. Rau's Compromise Proposal

PARIS, OCTOBER 18 (REUTER): INDIA TODAY RENEWED HER EFFORTS TO FIND A COMPROMISE IN THE EAST-WEST DEADLOCK OVER CONTROL OF ATOMIC ENERGY IN THE UNITED NATIONS POLITICAL COMMITTEE.

Sir Benegal Narsing Rau, one of India's constitutional experts, appealed to the Committee to accept an Indian resolution which called on the Atomic Energy Commission to resume its work.

The Indian delegate asked the Commission to prepare a draft of a treaty embodying its ultimated proposals so that the area of disagreement on this issue could be reduced.

Sir Benegal was continuing his mediation efforts which he had begun in the Atom Sub-Committee of which he was Chairman.

He said there had been definite signs of a "softening" in the Soviet attitude and that if the Commission continued its work, steps towards compromise might come from either side

INDIAN RESOLUTION

The Indian resolution proposed that the General Assembly: 1. approves in substance the general findings and recommendations of the first report and the specific proposals of the second report of the Commission as constituting the necessary basis for establishing an effective system of international control of atomic energy to ensure its use only for peaceful purposes and for the elimination from national armaments of atomic weapons in accordance with the terms of reference of the Commission, and '2) calls upon the Commission to resume and continue its work, to proceed with the study of all the matter within its terms of reference, and to prepare for submission to the Security Council, as early as possible, a draft treaty or convention incorporating the Commission's ultimate proposals."

AMERICA'S OPPOSITION

Mr. Warren Austin, the United States delegate, told the Political Committee that America could not agree to go ahead with atom control on the Western Plan, unless Russia agreed to take part.

BIG FIVE TALKS SUGGESTED

Talks between the Big Five and Canada were proposed in the amended Canadian resolution passed by the Atomic Sub-Committee last Tuesday, by eight votes to two (Russia and Ukraine), with India abstaining.

M. Paul Ramadier, the French delegate, supported the Canadian resolution and stressed that the crux of the problem was to reduce international suspicion.

STEP TOWARDS AGREEMENT

Jacob Malik, the Soviet delegate, said the Western majority was not a genuine control plan but a manoeuvre for "uncontrolled ownership and managership of world production and exploitation of atomic energy by the United States."

He said the Russian proposal was a serious step towards agreement.

Lionel Chevrier, the Canadian delegate said that in place of the majority resolution the Soviet Union proposed a "programme of specious and deceptive simplicity". The Soviet union, he said, have demonstrated "time and again that they have no present intention of co-operating in any reasonable plan for controlling production, refining and further processing of uranium and thorium with out which control of its Assembly ino a bomb is without meaning."

Bihar Premier Improving

PATNA, Oct. 17 (APT).—Mr. Sri Krishna Sinha, Premier of Bihar, who has been ill at Mussoorie has been having fever. He was examined today by Dr. T. N. Banerjee and Dr. Vijaya Sinha who, in a bulletin, said that the fever was coming under control gradually The bulletin added: "Mr. Sinha's general condition is weak, but there is no cause for anxiety."

NEW DELHI, Oct. 18. (UPI). Over 16 000 pilgrims from the Indian Union proceeded on 'Hajj' this year to Mecca. Prominent among them were Their Highnesses the Nawab and Begum Sahiba of Bhopal.

DELHI DISBANDS HOME GUARDS

NEW DELHI, Oct. 18. (UPI): Following a considerable increase in the Delhi Police Force, the Home Guards of Delhi have been disbanded.

INDIA AND U. S. CAN BENEFIT EACH OTHER

Shridharani's Plea At Delhi American Women Club

NEW DELHI, Oct. 18 (API).—Dr. Shridharani, a noted author and lecturer, who leaves for Paris tomorrow in connection with the United Nations session, addressing a general opening meeting of the American Women's Club in Delhi this morning said the oldest and the youngest countries in the world should exchange, for their mutual benefit, one's wisdom for the others vigour. The American Women's Club is a recently organised group drawing its membership from embassy personnel and American families engaged in private business and professions

7,600 CLOTH BALES FOR MADRAS

MADRAS, Oct. 18 (API).—With the resumption of regular railway traffic between Madras and Bombay there has been a steady inflow of mill cloth into this Province from Bombay About 7,600 bales have so far been despatched from Bombay to Madras it is officialy learnt.

The distribution work entrusted principally to the co-operative societies is now expected to commence in a week's time.

DUESSELDORF, Oct. 18 (Reuter): Final results were expected to be known today of the local elections in North Rhine-Westphalia yesterday early results showed important gains by Social Democrats and Free Democrats at the expense of Communists.

29 OF CREW OF "ILLUSTRIOUS" DROWNED

'Liberty' Boat Carrying Members Back Capsizes

PORTLAND (Dorset), Oct. 18. (Reuter): Twenty-nine of the crew of the aircraft-carrier "Illustrious" were feared drowned today after a Liberty boat carrying sailors back to the ship capsized in heavy seas last night. Boats searched the harbour here all night aided by beams from the 23,000-ton carrier's searchlights.

Naval officers investigating the disaster found it difficult to establish how many men had been aboard the "Liberty" boat. Figures were issued after a roll call of men on shore leave.

TURKISH ELECTIONS

Three-Quarters Of Voters Abstain

ISTANBUL, October 18. (Reuter): Turkish opposition sources claimed today that at least three-quarters of the country's electors boycotted the polls in yesterday's 13 parliamentary by-elections.

Government Party candidates were reported returned in almost all constituencies.

Newspapers supporting the Government Party estimated that in Istanbul about 20 per cent. of the electors voted as against 70 per cent in the 1946 general election.

The Democratic Party and the National Party, both opposition groups had urged the people not to vote on the ground that the present system of checking votes was "open to fraud".

Full results are expected on Thursday.

Deficit Budget For Baroda

CUTS IN PRIVY PURSE LIKELY

BARODA, Oct. 18. (A.P.I.): The Baroda State budget for the year 1948-49 which was published today, revealed a deficit of Rs. 105.12 lakhs. The total revenue receipts for the year amounted to Rs. 526.11 lakhs as against the revised estimates of Rs. 563.11 lakhs for 1947-48. On the expenditure side the figure stood at Rs. 632.10 lakhs as against the revised estimates of Rs. 840.42 lakhs for 1947-48.

Presenting the budget to the State Legislative Assembly, which began its session today, the Dewan-President Dr. Jivraj Mehta said that the State, being faced with an impending famine owing to the total failure of crops in certain areas, had to provide a sum of Rs. 20 lakhs for relief work.

As to the ways and means of balancing the budget, the Premier stated that a Retrenchment Committee with Mr. Justice Pavri as its Chairman had been appointed. The Committee had already submitted its "ad interim" report. The final decision on which would be made public later.

PRIVY PURSE CUTS

Dr. Mehta said that beginning with the members of the Government they had submitted themselves a cut ranging from 44 per cent in the case of Dewan to 32 per cent in the case of Ministers. The question of the Maharaja's Privy Purse was under consideration of the Government of India. The reduction in the Privy Purse, it was hoped, would help to bridge this gulf.

REDS INFILTRATE INTO WEST JAVA

BATAVIA, October 18 (Reuter): The Dutch Army announced today that had retaken Djiken, a small town Indonesian Communist insurgents in North-east Java between the oil town of Tjepu and Blora and were trying to recapture Blora.

The report said Guerilla fighting was continuing in Central Java.

Independent reports claimed that Indonesian Guerillas were infiltrating into Dutch-held West Java and causing an increasing number of incidents.

These reports said that two Estate police were killed, 100 rubber trees slashed and several acres of newly-planted sisal uprooted last weekend on a British owned estate.

EX-EAST INDONESIAN PREMIER FREED AFTER RE-ARREST

MACASSAR (East Indonesia) Oct. 18 (Reuter): Former Premier of East Indonesia, Nadjamaddin Daeng Malaewa, was today put on trial, freed, re-arrested and freed again, by a special High Court for East Indonesia sitting at Macassar, Celebes.

The ex-Premier was arrested and charged last February with embezzlement and rationing frauds during his Premiership.

Australian Taken Away From Jap Wife

SYDNEY, Oct. 18 (Reuter).—A 22-year-old Australian ex-serviceman, Frank Lyal Weaver, who has twice escaped to Japan to see his Japanese wife, was brought back under escort today.

He told reporters he had only 25 minutes this time with his wife in her bomb-shattered Kure home, before he was "arrested at pistol point and then gaoled for a fortnight with his hands and feet chained to the floor."

CREW OF 3 KILLED IN U.S. PLANE CRASH

Mishap Near Rhine Main Airport

WIESBADEN, Oct 18 (Reuter): The crew of three were killed when an American Skymaster returning from a Berlin airlift flight crashed a few miles east of the Rhine-main airbase early today.

Air Force authorities said that the plane apparently exploded in mid-air shortly before it was due to land at Rhine—Main Airport.

It was returning empty from Berlin on an airlift run and was in radio contact with the control tower one minute before it crashed.

Visibility at the time of the crash, was considered excellent.

Move For Penicilin Plant in Western India

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Oct 18:

Its is learnt that the Bombay Government have prepared a scheme for a penicilin plant in Western India and has asked the Central Government to subscribe half the capital.

The cost of the plant is estimated at about five crores of rupees.

TWO PAKISTANIS ARRESTED

AMBALA, Oct. 18 (UPI).—Two Pakistani Christians, were arrested, on October 16 by the Gharinda Police for entering Indian border without permit. They are now being interrogated.

Arabs & Jews Refuse To Obey 'Cease Fire' Order

FIGHTING IN NEGAVE AREA FLARES UP

LONDON, October 18. (Reuter): Jews today claimed to have seized strategic heights dominating their isolated settlements in the Negev desert of South Palestine, after nightlong heavy fighting.

An emergency meeting of the Security Council to consider the serious situation may be called shortly, it was learned in Paris.

Israeli Premier, David Ben Gurion, who watched operations yesterday, has ordered his troops 'to pierce the road and not to lay down arms until their objective is achieved", a Tel Aviv cable said today.

Both sides have refused the call on-the-spot United Nations observers to cease fighting, but the official Israeli reply to the proposal of Dr. Ralph Bunche, acting Mediator, for a three-day halt was still awaited in Paris.

FIGHTING FLARES UP

The fighting, which in the last four days has been confined to the Negev area, flared up in the north-west today when, according to an Israeli report, Iraqi forces shelled a Jewish settlement at Fkaryaavetz on the fringe of Arab-held territory due west of Nablus.

Shelling was directed at the colony during the morning, but ceased towards noon.

"Very tense" fighting was still going on in the Negev, an Israeli spokesman said.

A Jewish communique said the air force had bombed Gaza, seat of the Palestine Arab "Government", as well as Faluja, Beersheba and El Arish.

Dr. Bunche's proposal was that the position in the Negev should be "frozen" while United Nations observers could examine it. He declared in a broadcast interview that the situation was "serious" adding: "tension is very great and local fighting could spread to other sectors".

Mr. Moshe Shertok, Israeli Foreign Minister, will convey the Israeli reply.

"CEASE FIRE CALL"

To a "cease fire call" by by General E. Riley, United Nations Chief of Staff at Truce supervision headquarters, the Egyptians said they would comply if the Jews withdrew to their original postiions. The Israeli Government said it could not comply unless the United Nations would guarantee that Egyptian traffice to and from the Negev would be barred and Egyptian attaches on settlements and communications would cease.

The Truce Commission in Palestine has telegraphed a complaint to the Security Council that access to the holy places of Jerusalem has not been maintained. The Arabs have obstructed foreign Christians from the Christian shrines and prevented Jews from going to the walling wall, while the Jews have debarred Christians from going over to visit holy places in Arab-controlled areas the complaint said.

SUB-COMMITTEE'S REPORT

The Committee also had before it the Sub-Committee's report recommending acceptance of a Canadian resolution which asked that the General Assembly should approve "the general findings of the report of the Atomic Energy Commission as constituting a necessary basis for establishing an effective system of international control of atomic energy to ensure its use only for peaceful purposes and for the elimination from national armaments of atomic weapons in accordance with the terms of reference of the Atomic Energy Commission".

"If the Canadian resolution or the Indian resolution is ultimately adopted, the General Assembly will have approved, at least in principle, the recommendations contained in the first and second reports of the Commission.

SOVIET ATTITUDE CHANGED

"It is clear from the Soviet resolution of October 1, 1948.—which is among the three resolutions now before us—that the Soviet's original attitude on a very important point has now been abandoned. Until then, its attitude was that indicated in the letter of September 5, 1947 from the representative of the Soviet Union to the representative of the United Kingdom, namely that a convention for the prohibition of atomic weapons should come first and only thereafter the convention for international control.

"Let the Atomic Energy Commission then proceed on this basis and prepare the draft of a treaty embodying its ultimate proposals. Why stop work now because ultimately we may fail? Who knows but that under pressure of world opinion we may not ultimately succeed?

"Let us leave success or failure to the future.

MIDDLE COURSE

"The Indian resolution steers a middle course between the Soviet resolution, according to whose text the work of the Commission has up to the present, not produced any positive results, and the Canadian resolution which purports to approve of the Commission's recommendations without any apparent qualification and, so to speak, freezes them in their precise present form—although I myself think it means no more than the Indian resolution", Sir Benegal said.

PRODUCE MORE TO BRING DOWN INFLATION

Jagjivan Ram's Appeal To Assam Peasants

JORHAT (Assam), Oct. 18 (API):—Mr. Jagjivan Ram, India's Labour Minister, who is touring Assam, addressing a large public meeting here called upon the people to make an all-out effort to increase the national wealth of the country through increased production of foodstuffs, cloth and essential commodities which India has to import from other countries.

"To-day our country suffers from the impact of serious inflation causing hardship to our people" the Labour Minister said, "because we have an acute shortage of foodstuffs, cloth, etc., on the one hand and there is cheap money on the other hand. Unless we bring down inflation by increasing the production of goods, the grip of inflation will continue to cause more hardships."

Continuing Mr. Jagjivan Ram said that our country had resources but unfortunately the resources had not been developed adequately to make it free from the need of imports. The burden of increased production really rested on labour, as capital could not help in that respect.

The Labour Minister emphasised that peasants and labour were the backbone of the nation and their welfare and security must be secured. It was essential that the mentality of exploitation of any variety in social and economic life must change, so that vitality might be infused in their national life.

Mr. Jagjivan Ram said that Assam was the outpost of the Indian Dominion and therefore a great responsibility lay on the people of Assam. The Central Government would extend financial help to Assam in order that its resources might be fully tapped and the security of its border strongly maintained. He said that while India would be true to Gandhiji's ideal of non-violence, she would not display cowardice. They would therefore have to protect their borders if any power attempted to violate them.

NO DIVISIONS IN LABOUR RANKS

Addressing a rally of plantation labour, the Minister asked labour to maintain its integrity and ensure that no divisions in its ranks were allowed to grow. He expressed his surprise that two separate addresses of welcome had been presented to him, one on behalf of employees and the other by mazdoors, and said that he visualised a conflict in the ranks of labour if this division was allowed to grow. Labour which depended on daily wages, whether technical or manual, was all basically the same. He advised them to form their unions jointly, as separate unions would weaken their position.

Mr. Jagjivan Ram told the rally that the Government realised the grievances of tea garden labour and had undertaken plans to remove them as far as possible. Results would not be easily attained for various reasons, but their rights would gradually prevail. A provident fund scheme for colliery labour was being put into force, and if it was successful, it would be applied to tea plantation labour also. Colliery and tea plantation labour were receiving the Government's priority attention.

The Labour Minister visited some tea gardens and personally inspected the dwellings of labourers, their hospitals and living conditions.

SIR SORAB SAKLATWALLA PASSES AWAY

BOMBAY, Monday.—"The Bombay Chronicle" regrets to announce the death of Sir Sorab Saklatwalla, director of the Tatas, which occurred at his bungalow at Napean Sea Road in the early hours of this morning, following heart attack. He was 69 years old.

The funeral ceremony of the late Sir Sorab which took place at Doongarwadi this evening was largely attended. Those present included all the directors of the Tatas, practically the whole staff of the Bombay House and several well-known citizens, Hindus, Parsis and Muslims.

NEPHEW OF J. N. TATA

The late Sir Sorab was a nephew of the late Mr. J N. Tata, the world-famous Indian industrialist and the founder of the present House of Tatas. He was the younger brother of the late Shapurji Saklatwalla, the noted socialist leader and the third Indian member of the British Parliament. He has left behind his wife Meherbai, a daughter and a large circle of friends to mourn his death.

Born in Bombay in March 1879 the late Sir Sorab was educated at the St. Xavier's High School and later graduated from the St. Xavier's College. In 1924 he was elected chairman of the Bombay Millowners' Association. He also served as Vice-President of the Indian Central Cotton Committee in 1929-30. In 1934 he was elected on the Bombay Legislative Council as a representative of the Bombay Millowners' Association. He was nighted by the government in 1941.

At the time of his death Sir Sorab was a director of the Tata Sons Limited and Chairman of the Tata Mills Limited and Sir Dorab Tata Trust. He was also a director of the Imperial Bank of India, the Oriental Life Assurance Company Limited and several other industrial concerns of the city. As a mark of respect to his memory the offices of the Tata Sons Limited and its associated concerns remained closed today.

Sir Sorab was very much interested in the collection of stamps, and was a member of the Royal Philatelic Society of London. His publications include "History of Millowners' Association," "Bombay Recreation", and "Stamp Collecting"

Sir Sorab was also elected to the Bombay Legislative Assembly from the Millowners' Constituency, and in 1946 was nominated Chairman to conduct the proceedings of the House till the election of the Speaker. He was on the Advisory Board of the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research for sometime.

Sir Sorab was of a modest and retiring disposition, and had helped many a good cause in the country through the Tata charities.

India Offers Coffee To U.K.

NEW DELHI, Oct. 18 (UPI).—An offer of 500 tons of coffee has been made to U.K. with the option of doubling it in April next if the stock position permits. A further quota of 500 tons has been allotted for the Persian gulf markets.

The 1947-48 coffee crop which was estimated in the beginning at about 12,000 tons will, in all probability, be about 15,800 tons. The 1948-49 crop is also expected to be a good one.

Final Touches To India's Draft Constitution

CONSEMBLY TO HOLD ITS LAST SESSION FROM NOV. 4 TO DEC. 31

NEW DELHI, Oct. 18 (API).—The Drafting Committee of the Constituent Assembly, now in session here, is giving final touches to the draft constitution of India, which the Constituent Assembly expects to adopt by the end of the year.

The Committee, of which the Law Minister, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, is the Chairman, has been meeting since October 16 and considering the various improvements and alterations to the draft constitution suggested through the press and otherwise.

STEERING COMMITTEE TO PRUNE AMENDMENTS

Hundreds of amendments have been given notice of by the members themselves for being considered during what may be regarded as the final session of the Constituent Assembly. This session, scheduled to begin on Nov. 4, is now expected to last till Dec. 31, 1948, according to present indications.

Before the Assembly meets on Nov. 4, a meeting of the Steering Committe is being summoned on Oct. 25 to prune these numerous amendments and weed out unnecessary ones.

Manchester Out For Pakistan Markets

(From Our Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 18.—According to a prominent businessman coming from Karachi, foreign manufacturers are trying to capture Pakistan markets. Manchester in particular is having increased interest in Pakistan markets. Imports of cotton piecegoods from the United Kingdom in Pakistan since separation from India is estimated at about 33 million yards, which is short of its requirements.

Manchester mills have now begun to manufacture especialy for Pakistan.

Pakistan Permit Office In City

BOMBAY, Oct. 18 (API).—Pakistani's permit office in Bombay for Indians intending to visit Western Pakistan would be opened on October 22, said Mr. I. M. Niaz, Pakistan Government's special officer in charge of permits, on his arrival here from Karachi today.

DACOIT SHOT DEAD

Daring Hold Up At Agra

AGRA, October 18, (API): One of two armed dacoits who had raided a house in Agra in broad daylight yesterday, was shot dead by policemen in an exchange of fire. One police officer was wounded in the encounter.

It is stated that two smartly dressed persons entered the house and held up its resident. A friend of the resident, who happened to be there at the time, managed to give the gangsters the "slip" and informed the police who rushed to the spot and surrounded the house. The gangsterrs, in a desperate attempt to escape opened fire on the police. In the resultant exchange of fire one of the gangsters was killed while a police officer was injured.

CITY DOCKERS RESUME

But Some Shore-Workers And Stevedores Keep Off

BOMBAY, Monday.

Except 300 shore workers and stevedores who refused to work due to a dispute over the distribution of work, all dockers resumed work after a six days' strike in the Bombay docks. The Alexandra, Princess and Victoria docks are again humming with activity and the partial arrears of work is being cleared up.

It is learnt that when the workers reported for duty this morning, about 250 stevedores found that their places had already been taken during the strike by other workers, who were employed on five ships by a firm of ship contractors. The strikers who returned to work insisted that they should be re-employed immediately, but the ship contractors refused to do this. They maintained that the 'strikers' would be employed according to their turn when new ships put into port. It must be stated in this connection that as the decasualisation scheme does not apply to contractors' firms, workers are employed in batches as work is found for them.

The Bombay Dock Workers' Union gave a call to the shore gangs who would be working on the ships to cease work as a protest against the non-employment of these 250 stevedores, with the consequence that about 300 Port Trust shore workers refused to handle the cargo of these five ships.

UNION REPLY TO PORT TRUST

The Port Trust authorities, it is learnt, sent a letter to the Secretary of the Dock Workers' Union informing him that the action of certain shore workers was illegal and they might take action against the workers under the Industrial Disputes Act.

The Union, while denying the charge, drew attention to Section 5(L & M) of the Indian Dock Labour Act 1934 in justification of the shore-workers' refusal to work. Mr. P. D'Mello, Secretary of the Bombay Dock Workers' Union in reply to the letter of the Port Trust authorities stated, that the shore-workers feared that "their lives would be endangered if they handle any cargo slinged by such raw hands. "The letter added that the port Truct could not deny responsibility for the life and the limb of the workers employed by them. The letter contended that it was dangerous for the shore-workers to risk their lives in these hazardous circumstances and demanded immediate employment of experienced hand as stevedore labour.

It is learnt that Mr. D'Mello conferred with Mr. S. C. Seth, Hon. Secretary of the Stevedores' Association, with a view to end the shore-workers' dispute.

AMOUNTS TO LOCKOUT

The Union has also written letter to Ardesher B. Cursetjee & Sons drawing their attention to the fact that the non-employment of certain stevedore labourers by them amounted to lock-out Section 26(2) of the Industrial Trade Disputes Act.

MUTT AND JEFF—Nor Has This Got Anything To Do With The Booby Hatch Situation — By BUD FISHER

YOUR HONOR, THIS NITWIT IS NUTTY! HE STANDS ON THE STREET FOR HOURS TALKING TO HIMSELF!
THE OFFICER CHARGES YOU ARE BATS!
I GUESS HE'S RIGHT, YOUR HONOR! I AM A LITTLE WHACKY!
O.K., MURPH. LOCK UP THE CRACKPOT 'TIL FURTHER NOTICE!
HEY WAIT! YOU CAN'T LOCK ME UP!
WHY NOT? DIDN'T YOU JUST SAY YOU WERE LOONY?
SURE! BUT ARE YOU GONNA SIT THERE AN TAKE THE WORD OF A SCREWBALL?
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